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Election 2016

Absentee ballots going out locally

By ALISON ALOISIO

Area town clerks are busy processing absentee ballot requests ahead of the Nov. 8 election.

Bethel, with 2,162 registered voters, has had 245 requests so far (as of Monday), according to Town Clerk Christen Mason. In 2012, a total of 350 absentee ballots were cast, she said.

At the rate the requests are coming, said Mason, "I'm pretty sure we'll have 350, or more."

With local ballot questions (on school funding and recycling) in addition to state and presidential votes, processing absentee ballots is taking longer than in 2012, she said.

In Newry, where there are 320 registered voters, there have been 51 requests for absentee ballots, according to Deputy Town Clerk Kelly Scott. In 2012 60 ballots were cast absentee, she said, at a time when there were 305 registered voters.

In Greenwood, with 631 voters, Town Manager Kim Sparks said there have been 107 absentee ballots requested. In 2012, 118 were cast by that method. "Voting requests seem to be just about the same as 2012," said Sparks, when the town had 662 registered voters.

Woodstock has 1,035 vot-

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School tax shift, recycling on local ballots

STAFF

SAD 44 residents will vote Nov. 8 on whether to change the formula for determining how the district's education costs are shared among the member towns.

Area voters will also decide whether to dissolve the Oxford County Regional Recycling Corporation.

SCHOOL TAX

The question that will appear on the Nov. 8 ballot asks residents if they favor changing the method of sharing costs among the municipalities in SAD 44 from the current method - based solely on

the respective property valuation of each town - to an amended method that also takes into account pupil count.

The proposed change would implement a formula based 90 percent on valuation and 10 percent on pupil count for the 2018 and 2019 fiscal years, and 85 percent on valuation/15 percent on pupil count for FY'20 and all fiscal years thereafter.

Basing its figures on the 2016 budget, which totaled approximately \$10.6 million, the committee that was appointed to

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Regional, state ballot issues

By ALISON ALOISIO

Voters in area towns will choose a state representative and senator, a judge and register of probate, and a county commissioner.

For most in this area, the state representative choice (for District 117) is between incumbent Republican Fran Head of Bethel and Democrat challenger Sid Pew of Andover.

The state Senate race for District 18 is between incumbent Democrat John Patrick of Rumford and Republican challenger Lisa Keim of Dixfield.

Woodstock is in House District 115, where Democrat John Madigan Jr. of Rumford is facing Republican Joseph Martin of Rumford, to succeed incumbent Democrat Matthew Peterson, who is not seeking re-election.

In the county Judge of Probate contest, Bethel Republican Jarrod Crockett is facing off against Democrat Jennifer Kreckel of Rumford. One will succeed incumbent

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The Telstar Middle School Boys' and Girls' soccer teams both finished their seasons undefeated with records of 9-0 and 8-0, respectively. Pictured above is the girls' squad. Front: Chelsea Duclos, Alexis Cannon-Powell, Ryleigh Richard. Middle: Felicity Indermuhle, Odessa Files, Molly Pereira, Codi Duclos, Emalee Coffin (co-captain), J-Lyn Roy, Coach Robert Dow. Back: Talia Paaso, Ava Mastrolanni, Shelby Thorman, Ellen Files, Lydia Bennett, Ella Kellogg (co-captain), Autumn Harrison, Alyana Chartier, Macie Hallett, Caroline Slekmán, Bella DeVivo, Riley Jerome, Livia Doucette.

Submitted photo

Telstar Middle School boys, girls soccer teams both go undefeated

The Telstar Middle School Boys' and Girls' soccer teams both recently concluded their seasons undefeated, a unique accomplishment and one that reflects on the area's youth soccer program and bodes well for the future.

Parent John DeVivo, who has coached youth soccer, said, "Youth soccer numbers are very strong in Bethel right now, and has had great success over the last several years at the Kindergarten and Grade 1-2 / 3-4 / 5-6 levels.

"The Grade 5-6 program won the OHAB league title in 2014, finished second and third last year, and has a team that's undefeated right now."

The team coaches - Ed

Connolly for the boys and Robert Dow for the girls - were asked to describe the keys to their teams' success.

Boys Team, by Coach Ed Connolly:

The key to our season was teamwork.

Every player contributed in their own way whether it was in practice pushing a teammate to work harder or in a game scoring a goal.

Fitness is also a key factor as we train hard, with the philosophy that if we meet a team that is more skilled than us then we will out run them and and wear them down physically. Fortunately we are also very skilled, which makes us even stronger. Speed, strength, skills and smart

play is hard to defend.

A big part of our success comes from most of the players coming to Telstar with experience and skills from club and Rec teams, as well having eighth graders for three years and the seventh grade for two, they understand my expectations and style of coaching and play. This gives us more time to focus on strategy rather than on basic ball skills.

Our core team of six talented eighth graders play calm and composed making good decisions with the ball and maintaining possession. We also had extremely great play from our sixth and seventh graders with a cou-

ple of sixth graders making huge contributions.

We rarely played down to other teams. Meaning we always played our style of soccer and didn't let other teams make us stray from our game plan. If we did stray, halftime adjustments fixed the problem. Many games were close in the first half before we broke them wide open in the second half.

Offensively, we were very strong, with speed and great spacial awareness, creating more scoring opportunities.

Defensively we marked players out of games and built the attack from the back by making quality

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Bethel to hold Veterans Day ceremony

For the first time in a long time, Bethel will have an observance ceremony on Veterans' Day.

Mundt-Allen American Legion Post #81 will hold a brief ceremony on Friday, Nov. 11 at 11 a.m. on the Bethel Common, according to Commander Bob McCartney.

Plans are still being finalized, but a Bethel town official is expected to of-

fer remarks.

The public is welcome for the observance, which will take place near the flagpole.

The Legion hopes to make the ceremony an annual event.

Locke Mills

The Jackson-Silver Legion Post #68 in Locke Mills will hold its annual observance of Veterans Day at

10:30 a.m. at the Legion Hall.

There will be music, including the Armed Forces Medley and the National Anthem, a reading, a speaker and a flag disposal ceremony. At 11 a.m. there will be the Ringing of the Bell 11 times.

Details of that observance are also being worked out.

'Conversation on Caregiving' planned for Nov. 17

By AMY WIGHT CHAPMAN

A regional conversation on family caregiving will take place on Thursday, Nov. 17 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Grand Summit at Sunday River.

Hosted by the Tri-State Learning Collaborative on Aging (TSLCA), "A Cross-Border Conversation on Caregiving" will bring together care partners, community providers, researchers, policy experts and municipal, business, and community leaders.

Together they will share the frustrations and challenges of serving in the caretaker role—but more important, they will share information on existing resources, policies, and tools for supporting care partners and discuss what improvements communities might make.

Guided conversations in small groups, each led by a knowledgeable facilitator, will allow participants to choose the topics that

are most relevant to their own personal situations.

These "Table Topics" will address 13 aspects of caregiving, including balancing caregiving and employment, navigating the health care system, the special challenges of dementia and Alzheimer's caregiving, advance care planning, and mobilizing community resources to support caregivers.

"We think this is a valuable opportunity for anyone in the community who is a partner caregiver — defined as a family member caring for someone else — or a professional in the field or the representative of an organization that would like to be a change-agent in this arena," said Nancy Davis, who is eager to attend the event on behalf of Bethel's Age-Friendly Community Initiative.

Challenges Adults require care for a variety of reasons, including both long-term and

short-term physical conditions. Nearly a quarter of those receiving care suffer from memory problems, including dementia.

According to the AARP's 2015 report, Caregiving in the U.S., approximately 34 million Americans provide unpaid care to an adult age 50 or older.

The average age of caregivers is 49, but nearly one in 10 is 75 years of age or older.

Caregivers spend an average of nearly 25 hours a week providing care, with those who care for a spouse or partner averaging nearly 45 hours per week.

Increasingly, family caregivers are performing tasks that were once handled by nurses or other medical professionals, including giving injections, tube feedings, and catheter and colostomy care.

Only about half of caregivers receive help from

another unpaid caregiver, and less than a third say their loved one receives paid help from housekeepers or medical aides.

One in three caregivers is solely responsible for all the care their loved one receives.

These conditions can lead to feelings of isolation and a sense of being overwhelmed. Many caregivers report a high level of physical strain and emotional stress associated with their duties.

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Letters

VOTE FOR HEAD

To the Editor:

We feel strongly that Rep. Fran Head should be re-elected to the 128th Maine Legislature because she has worked tirelessly every day to continue giving back to the communities of western Maine.

She knows first hand how important it is to grow jobs and promote small businesses. She knows something not enough leaders do these days, how to listen.

Whenever we had an issue which was being discussed at the State House, Fran Head was willing to stop what she was doing and speak with us about the most current information on legislation and what lawmakers were doing to address the issue. We have no doubt that Fran will continue to do her best and that is why she has earned two votes from our household for her re-election campaign.

We need more advocates in Augusta who will put our interests first, not the special interests. Fran does have one special interest she is looking out for, however, and that is to decrease the property tax burdens facing so many small communities like ours. We know she is the right choice to continue that fight.

So, on Nov 8 make a plan to get out and vote casting your ballot for Fran Head. She has earned it.

Bob and Nancy Chadbourne
Bethel

VOTE FOR HEAD

To the Editor:

So many of the attributes of a friend can be found in Rep. Fran Head - she has always been genuine, trustworthy, respectful and supportive. And that is just to name a few. She listens, she learns, and she has the grit to stand up for what she believes in. Fran has a passion for public service, and is my choice to continue being our voice in Augusta.

Fran is a businesswoman, town official, and volunteer. She has stayed involved in local groups because dedication to community is a responsibility she takes seriously.

I have also decided to vote for Lisa Keim this time, who will make a great state senator. She knows the importance of increasing opportunities for young people, and I know she is the best choice to see that mission through. I'm sure everyone has been seeing "Elect Lisa" signs popping up around town, and for good reason. Her support is increasing everyday, and a big part of that is her pledge to look out for all Maine people.

By re-electing Fran Head for House and supporting Lisa Keim for Senate, I have no doubt that our region will be well served. Don't forget these two races on Nov 8.

Stan and Ruth Soleociski
Hanover

RE-ELECT HEAD

To the Editor:

If there is one thing I know about Fran Head, it is that she genuinely cares about the people she is serving. Fran has never stopped working towards reigning in state spending, promoting economic growth, and reducing the burdens facing our next generation. This all starts with the fundamental understanding that elected officials, at all levels, have to be responsive to their constituents.

Fran supported many important bills this session, ranging from issues like welfare reform, gun ownership, domestic violence, the drug crisis, and one that she is especially proud of - eliminating the tax on veterans' pensions.

Fran Head went to Augusta two years ago not to get a job, but to do a job - and it was one that she did very well. Let's re-elect Fran Head for state representative.

Rebecca Keen
Bryant Pond

THANKS FOR MANY YEARS

To the Editor:

I would like to thank all my faithful customers and friends - you all know who you are - for 50 many amazing years at the Golden Shear. So many great memories. I will never forget you all, but it's my time to go home and finish another job, with love.

Please remember all the good days as we all move forward in our lives and you will find someone with magic hands again. Peace, happiness, love, laughs, and fun are ahead for us all. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Mary Rumley
Rumford Point

SID PEW KNOWS BUDGETING

To the Editor:

Sid Pew is running to work in the state Legislature representing citizens in Maine District 117.

Sid served 19 years on the SAD 44 School Board. During his time on the board he chaired the Finance and Negotiation committees, and later serving as board chair. I had the opportunity to serve on the board with Sid and found him to be an articulate, intelligent and thoughtful board member. He took the time to study the issues so he could make informed decisions.

Sid has also been self-employed for nearly 33 years so he understands that the costs of running a business cannot exceed what you take in for revenue. Balancing a budget is nothing new for Sid. Sending Sid to the State House will give us a politician who will represent the people. Sid knows how to listen to the concerns of the citizens and studies the issues in depth.

My husband, who is registered as an independent, and I will be casting our votes for Sid to represent us at the State House. I hope others will consider joining us and vote Sid Pew for state representative in Maine District 117!

Robert and Linda Howe
Bethel

SUPPORT CROCKETT

To the Editor:

You all know Jarrod, so please join me and vote for him this Nov. 8.

Jarrod is a highly qualified local attorney who has served six years in the Maine House of Representatives. For a part of that career he joined my late dad, Sen. Norm Ferguson, in representing northern Oxford County. He's a fellow Army veteran. As US Army Major in the reserves he served an 18-month active duty deployment in Afghanistan a few years ago. A native of Bethel, Jarrod's law career has focused extensively on probate law. Jarrod knows about the issues that folks in our area have to deal with when they are dealing with hard decisions.

For me, growing up in Hanover, graduating from Rumford High, living and working in Fryeburg for the past 25 years keeps me grounded to my roots. The probate judge holds a very important job presiding over cases that affect Oxford County families in many ways. I strongly believe that Jarrod Crockett is the best candidate for the job. Please join me in voting for Crockett, Judge of Probate, Oxford County.

Norman K (Scott) Ferguson, OD
Fryeburg

VOTE FOR FRAN HEAD

To the Editor:

I'll be casting my ballot for Fran Head because she has served her constituents well over the past two years.

Her committee assignment on Health and Human Services is a critical position to hold and most people don't know that it is one of the most time intensive committees to serve on. More importantly, this puts her in a front row seat towards improving our state's welfare system, which I believe is one of the biggest problems facing Mainers today. Welfare should be a hand up not a hand out.

The fact is the appropriate use of welfare is to move people off the rolls, not onto them. For this reason I was pleased to see how our state representative, Fran Head, worked to pass LD 1097, which makes liquor, lottery tickets and tobacco products prohibited for purchase with welfare funds. This was such a big step towards what I believe is the right direction and our public officials who supported this measure should be rewarded.

I support Fran Head for state representative and look forward to seeing a committed public servant re-elected. Vote for Fran Head on Nov 8.

Douglas Jones
Newry

WATER FOR LIFE, NOT PROFIT

To the Editor:

I am writing this letter to the people of Bethel, Newry and the River Valley to add a note in response to Senator Patrick's letter responding on water issues. What is at issue is Nestle coming into yet another small community trying to secure water rights by what has become their pattern throughout Maine, the USA and Canada. They come in quietly while most of the community remains unaware, doing their surveys, scoping the landscape, and the local government. Often community members are left out in the cold and again find out about Nestle well into their plans. It is my belief, in researching, that Nestle can claim they want to do well by a community, provide jobs and income for a community that may need infrastructure repairs within their community but in reality they prefer the residents be left out of the process and have no input. This is where I will comment about Senator Patrick.

Almost two weeks ago I listened to Senator Patrick trying to explain his actions to a group of Rumford residents that are highly concerned for their community. We were not present to see or hear his interaction with the water district manager or Nestle representatives so we must take his word at face value. What I found highly upsetting was the fact that he supposedly sponsored a bill that he said he thought was to update the "outdated" or "antiquated" charter for the water district. I find it disturbing that a state senator would hand over the writing of the bill (who wrote it? Nestle lawyers?) that he sponsored and never read it before presenting it to the legislature. It passed and the governor signed this update. I am always suspect of a town, state or federal government that passes any legislation, in this case a supposedly simple update to a Water District charter, and it excludes the right of the citizens to vote on an issue. The Water District alone has the right to do "business!" This to me smacks of big government and big business trying to take the voice of the people away. He must own his actions and not think that it was a simple mistake. It was not. It wasn't a missed period, a comma, an "I" not dotted or a "t" not crossed. This was a document taking away the right of the people of Rumford to vote on an issue. We all know what is next. This has gone on in Fryeburg, Wells, Harrison, Kingfield and this list grows every year. Very few communities have been successful in turning away the promises, the heavy hand of Nestle (Poland Spring).

Nestle comes to communities with its front man and a few attorneys. We know they will threaten lawsuits if they don't get their way and often win. Of course! It is the world's 27th largest business, and a foreign company. They pump from aquifers no matter if a state is in a severe drought, water restrictions on the public ... they pump. They will tell you that the EPA or another entity is checking to make sure it is ok. It is not! When California was in a severe drought with restrictions on water to the public they continued sucking the water. This year in Maine in one of the worst droughts, severe in many areas, wells going dry, farmers without water for crops or animals they sucked the water! Nestle's former CEO stated, "Water is not a human right and should be privatized." He also stated "our right to water was 6.6 gallons per person per day." How much water did you use today? In 2015 Poland Spring (Nestle) bottled over 800 million gallons of water. It will get worse as they march into Maine's small communities like a foreign army taking over its conquest!

Maine people, the people of Newry, Bethel and River Valley are proud people that cherish their land. We need to make sure they can continue to be proud.

Our legislature in Maine needs change the "absolute dominion" doctrine, which currently gives a land owner absolute dominion over the water under its land even if it has an effect on its neighbor or in this case a whole community. Many states moved away from absolute dominion when demands for groundwater started increasing in the 20th century. States moved to placing ground water under the same protections that surface waters are held under that allowed for "reasonable" use. We need to start protecting our valuable resource, water! Nestle reimburses under a penny per gallon to the communities and makes millions off from us. Fairness? In closing I ask you to please support the residents of Rumford in saying 'No!' to Nestle. Remember that Maine's water needs to be there for us, our children, and grandchildren, and to those not yet born. Our economy relies on farmers and they also need the water! We cannot let this foreign conglomerate and others treat our drinking water as they do oil ... the highest bidder. In Iraq, Saddam used water as a control over his own people! Horror story? Read about it!

Water for life not profit!

Connie Moulton
Newry

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Citizen welcomes letters to the editor. The deadline is 4:30 p.m. Monday. Insofar as possible, we attempt to publish letters without alteration, but we do reserve the right to edit for length, libel, taste and readability. Letters should be limited to 300 words, but that limit will be waived when the situation warrants. Send your letters to: Editor, Bethel Citizen, PO Box 109, Bethel, ME 04217-0109. Fax: 824-2426. E-mail: news@bethelcitizen.com.

Our Back Pages

By Danna Brown Nickerson

10 years ago: On Oct/25, Bethel area residents awoke to large snowflakes falling. Snow eventually covered the ground to the depth of about an inch making for slick traveling.

John and Nancy Wight celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at the Bear River Grange Hall with a large number of family and friends.

Deaths: Ruth M. Trudeau, Roy W. Knight, Louise Elizabeth Lord, Eva R. Lane.

20 years ago: A broken sprinkler head released hundreds of gallons of water on the floor of the Crescent Park School gym.

The old, cracked steps in front of the Greenwood Town Office were replaced by workers from American Concrete Industries of Auburn.

Deaths: Hartson "Bag" Welch, Jr., Edith G. Thurston.

30 years ago: The Boiler Room Restaurant in Bryant Pond was sold at auction for \$202,000.

The water in Umbagog Lake was reported to be very low.

The Telstar Middle School soccer team defeated Peru 3-1 to win the championship in the Andy Valley Conference.

40 years ago: The Western Maine Industrial Management Club met at Bethel Inn with a record number of members and guests in attendance.

Donald and Kurt Brown attended the fall meeting of the Maine Professional Photographers Association at Daniels Studio in Norway.

Birth: Jennifer Laura Prescott.

Death: Arthur C. Hart.

50 years ago: Den Mothers of Pack 56 met at the Methodist Church to formulate plans for the November Pack meeting.

Mrs. Peter Kaiser (Sharon York) enlisted in the Army Nurse Corp.

Births: Stephen Michael Millett, Donald Raymond Barker.

Deaths: David E. Roberts, John M. Piet, Arthur E. Herrick, Charles I. Smith, Mrs. Irene Avis Elliott, Clyde Elliott, Sr.

60 years ago: Earlon Paine was the winner of the 1957 Kiddie Corvette at Bennett's Garage.

The farm home owned and occupied by Leon Kimball near the North Waterford pumping station was destroyed by fire.

Deaths: Robert Gilbert, James L. Merrill.

70 years ago: A meeting was held at the Legion Home regarding a war memorial.

A new heating plant was installed in the Locke Mills School.

Death: Mrs. Effie Peverly.

80 years ago: The Silver Star Girl Scout Troop of 33 members were on a camping trip to Boyker's camp, Paradise Road.

A winter sports meeting was held in the rooms over Rowe's store.

Kenneth Wight was building a home in Mayville.

90 years ago: Bears were plentiful. Several were shot near Bethel.

There was a fall of about six inches of snow. Three automobiles and a two-horse team were in a mix-up on the toll bridge due to the slippery road. No one was hurt, but the wagon and cars were damaged.

Death: Nathaniel W. Bennett.

110 years ago: Gould's Academy reopened on October 29, after a ten days' recess on account of measles.

The new Seybold Piped Reed Organ for the M. E. Church had arrived and was being put in position.

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SCHOOL FUNDING FORMULA

To the Editor:

I have some good news for Woodstock residents. If the new funding formula were to be enacted, using Marcel Polak's method of calculating the tax base, Woodstock's second homeowners, that make up 75 percent of the tax base, will pay for the bulk of the increase. If you take the proposed increase of \$135,000 dollars, take the second homeowners' share away, which is approximately \$101,000, you are left with \$34,000 for the residents to pay. If you divide that by approximately 1,200 residents, that leaves each resident having to pay about \$28 more in taxes. These are rough numbers, but the point is that the new funding formula is not going to significantly affect anybody in a major way. The scare tactics of the Woodstock contingency seems a little absurd when you see what the actual numbers are.

But what the new funding formula would do that is priceless, is give Newry taxpayers a sense that they are being treated fairly. That the rest of the district actually appreciates their participation in the district, not just for their money but for who we are. I hope people come out to vote in favor of the new funding formula so we can all move forward. Jim Sysko reminded everybody that "Nexit" is still on the table. So I hope people will keep that in mind when they cast their vote. If SAD 44 does not appreciate our participation it sounds like Andover could use our help. They have a school and we have the money; who knows what could happen!

Doug Webster
Newry

A POWERHOUSE TEAM

To the Editor:

Bethel Area voters have a tremendous opportunity to elect a powerhouse team to the Maine Legislature this fall. Senator John Patrick is in a great position as part of a likely Democratic majority in the state Senate to continue his effective work and powerful voice for the working people, seniors, and veterans in his district. He has a 100 percent environmental rating.

John Madigan, with his decades of experience in municipal government and in legislative advocacy with Maine Municipal Association, is well suited to step up as the democratic replacement for House District 115, including Woodstock and Sumner, with the support of Rep. Matt Peterson who is stepping down due to term limits.

Veteran School Board member and small business operator, Sidney Pew, Andover, is campaigning hard to bring new energy to House District 117, including most of the Bethel Area towns. Mike Twitchell, Norway, a second generation drywall contractor, is doing the same for House District 91, including Waterford and West Paris.

Our Democratic candidates support sensible welfare reform, solutions to the drug crisis, and tax reform, and support for education. They are all deeply committed to this area.

Please support the Democratic team Nov. 8.

Cathy Newell
Greenwood

VOTE FOR FRAN HEAD

To the Editor:

Having known Fran Head for many years, both personally and professionally, we would like to share our experience with her as our representative.

Jack and I recently had an issue arise that needed some guidance from our state representative. We spoke with Fran one evening about our issue and concerns. She informed us she would have some answers for us in 24 hours. Knowing she was dealing with our government, we wondered about that timeline. She not only had answers for us before the 24 hour timeline, she sought us both out and reported her findings. She had paperwork in hand!

Fran went ahead with moved forward with arranging a meeting for us. When the state officials failed to show, Fran held a telephone conference from the comfort of her car for us. She kept the talks open while firmly asking questions that we needed straight forward answers to.

This is how our state representative worked for us. This is how she would work for you.

Please consider voting for Fran Head for state representative to keep her working for all of us on many levels and many different issues.

Jack and Sue Cross
Bethel

HISTORY AND DONALD TRUMP

To the Editor:

There are some aspects of 20th century European history, uncomfortable as they might be, which add clarity to just what is at stake in this presidential election.

My education focused on German literature and history, so when Newt Gingrich announced his "Contract for America" in 1994, I was chilled by his election strategy's echoes of things I had read and translated with each of my German classes from Mein Kampf (1925). Gingrich distributed tapes of vocabulary to Republicans candidates which maligned their opponents' character with emotion-charged negatives.

In Mein Kampf Adolph Hitler had prescribed how emotionally loaded words, sound bites and bold headlines, slogans and oversize banners appeal to the emotions of a frustrated electorate. Emotions are stable and yearn to remain stable, whereas knowledge is inherently unstable for being more complex, apparently deep or distant, and always evolving, hard to pin down. Because knowledge is so disturbing, it is best to avoid appealing to understanding and discussing actual issues, for emotional rhetoric frees both speaker and audience from the discomfiting challenges of thought and analysis. Discussion is replaced by theater. Intellect and education are labeled suspect, emotion and belief are reckoned the sources of real power. Made-up facts and fabricated news become common currency where the means lead to the desired, emotionally stable ends, in a word, predictable power in the hands of a charismatic leader.

A less educated electorate is useful because it will be more receptive or vulnerable to whatever big idea or promises make up the demagogue's vision of power. That strategy packages fear, anger, love of a pure imagined fatherland, and patriotism into a simple messianic requirement that the people allow a "great leader" to "save us" and "our country." And in order to save the country, it first becomes necessary, and effective psychology, to paint the country and its current government in Doomsday terms. "They've wrecked the country; it's in total chaos." "You must rise to the nation's defense and I am the one to lead you." "Make America Great Again." So instead of trying to inform the electorate about the complexities of modern existence, modern

science and research, you simply make up a more palatable version with distorted "news" and one conspiracy theory after another, comic book fears and fantasies peddled as "fact." It is always someone else's fault that "we" are suffering, always the work of "them," some broad, covert elitist and alien group against whom we must rise up and defend the nation.

Who is it that is destroying the "our" nation and what is the solution? Any other philosophy and everybody who is different in race, language, color or religion. For Hitler it was Jews and communists, or Slavs, or gypsies. His henchmen set fire to the German Parliament and scapegoated a hapless Dutch bricklayer as a communist, claimed a communist siege of the country was at hand, executed him, then used that as a pretext to start rounding up all communists. We know what fate aryanization had for the Jews. These are not wild analogies. At a gathering of Holocaust survivors this summer, one woman remarked how unnerving Trump's words and attitudes were to her, for they were the same as those she heard as a young girl in Germany in the 1930's. Now an old woman, for the first time she experienced fear in her new land.

Could such stuff happen here? The Southern Poverty Law Center, which tracks white supremacist, neo-Nazi and hate groups reported a distinct uptick in the recruiting influence of Trump's speech, and the Center's program of Teaching Tolerance reports the heightened anxiety stress of young minority school students, not to mention that loud, insulting vocabulary becomes manly, and bullying gestures signal to youth that the bar of acceptable behavior has been drastically lowered. Size and muscle replace intelligence and mutual respect.

Could it happen here? A week ago three white supremacists in Kansas were arrested for plotting to eliminate an apartment building of Somali immigrants. This is the face of aryanization in America. David Duke, former Imperial Wizard of the KuKluxKlan, has decided the spirit of the country is now opportune for him to run for the US Senate from Louisiana. He is an anti-semitic white nationalist and Holocaust denier.

Even if history were not compelling, in both psychol-

ogy and literature we might encounter the myth of Narcissus. For being boastful he was cursed by the gods never to see his own beauty without so falling in love with himself that he would be incapable of responding to others and be forever alone. Even Echo who loved him could only repeat the last of anything he said. Psychology describes the narcissist as so self-absorbed, he cannot fathom that anything of value would not naturally validate him, his view of the world and his position of power. He surrounds himself with those who will echo his words, and feels affirmed. Everything other than himself, any uncomfortable fact, is subordinate, available to his random disposal ("You're fired," She wouldn't be my first choice"). There is no real reason for anybody else. That is Donald Trump's curse; it shouldn't be ours. When he says "I love the poorly educated," it is not empathy or affection, it simply fits his calculus of power. Informing himself about actual issues the country must deal with is simply beside the point, inconvenient. As Robert Gates, Defense Secretary to both George Bush and Barack Obama put it, Trump is "stubbornly uninformed."

He will have his advocates, among them those of intellectual capacity, people who will maneuver towards power, at whomever's expense, even though they are naive or phantasy-driven enough to imagine that they will not be the one, or group, who one day will learn what it is to be expendable.

It is ironic that Mein Kampf is being re-printed this year for the first time in 70 years. The German government has supported its re-publication as a textbook of the aberrations of Nazi Germany, so that subsequent generations have a clear view of how the engines of fascism come into being and destroy civil society.

It will appear in translation and will read like a manual of Donald Trump's agenda and practice, for he is the textbook example of a fascist, the ruler of an exclusive kingdom manipulated by edict, wealth and power, however gained.

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Letters

OUR THANKS FOR "ONE TODAY"

To the Editor:

We have just returned from one of the most inspirational, uplifting, hopeful afternoons of our octogenarian years.

Take the words of our remarkably gifted inaugural poet, Richard Blanco, and his poem "One Today," take the incredible musical creativity and determination of our own Tom Davis; take the generosity of the Gem Theater owners, and the other donors and sponsors and contributors of all kinds (thanks Congo Craftsmen); and take the amazingly talented singers and musicians from our own community - and what you get is WOW!

It was an afternoon of tears and tissues and tremendous gratitude and pride in this wonderful community, where we live "life the way it should be." At a time that is so contentious, unsettling and disturbing, we are given back hope for one ground, one sky, one country, one people all pulling together to make this one better world. It was a performance that should be heard across the country.

Our thanks to each and every one of you for giving acclamation to the power of poetry and music.

Beth and Walter Brough
Greenwood

LOOK FOR THE GOOD

To the Editor:

Turbulent times we live in, on the greatest nation on earth. Small suggestion, look for the good in our neighbors and young people. The good is surely out there.

Oct 1 and 2: Up to 2,000 people rallied to support the Dempsey Foundation in Lewiston. The foundation supports Maine cancer patients and their families. People fund-raised, volunteered, worked, ran, and cycled to support the foundation.

Oct 13: Telstar Middle School athletes gathered to celebrate the fall sports season. The good: the middle school students made a commitment and fulfilled it. Look for the good. It is going on right around us in our community.

Paul V. Casey
Gilead

RE-ELECT PATRICK

To the Editor:

Vote to re-elect State Senator John Patrick on Nov. 8. I have known Senator Patrick for many years as a friend and can attest he is the rare breed of politician who is dedicated to his principals and constituents. He has proven his commitment to the elderly, working families and the people of Maine and is recognized for his accomplishments. Senator Patrick is a Legislator who gets things done, works well with all parties and is always willing to listen and learn. He is frank and direct and always willing to speak his mind even on "unpopular" issues.

John Patrick deserves your support. Please vote on Nov. 8!

Roy G. Gedat
Naples

CAIN FOR CONGRESS

To the Editor:

The people of Maine have seen how well Emily Cain works for us. She was elected to the State House of Representatives at the age of 24, and elected again and again by huge majorities.

During her eight years in the House — including two years as minority leader — she showed over and over again that she knows how to work with people on both sides of the aisle to get things done. She worked on economic development, school district reorganization, and marriage equality, among others, handling many difficult topics with real ability. Other legislators, like Senator John Patrick, speak of her organizational skills and clear thinking.

Now we have the chance to send her to Washington to work for us there. She wants to help put Maine people in charge of our own economic future. She gets it. She will help us here in Maine — in contrast to her opponent, who seems mostly interested in helping himself.

Please join me in voting for Emily Cain.

Judy Green
North Waterford

From the Bethel Town Manager's Office

By Christine M. Landes

The days are getting shorter with cooler nights now upon us. With the change of seasons, our office becomes much busier as the election and property tax due date is near. The front office has been busy registering voters and issuing absentee ballots. At the current rate of request, the count for absentee ballots will exceed the last presidential election. What issue or candidate is drawing the voters? If you are unsure of an issue, the office has sample ballots and information on each of the referendum questions. They are happy to provide whatever literature is available for your consideration of each ballot.

Tax payments have been coming in regularly. As a reminder taxes were due on Oct. 3, 2016, but interest will start on Nov. 2. The November installment is one of two, with the second one due on April 3, 2017. As we do not send tax bills to mortgage companies, please make sure they have addressed your tax account if your taxes are escrowed.

Dog licenses are now available for purchase. If your "forever" friend is in need of a rabies shot, there will be a rabies clinic on Dec. 3, at the Fire Station from 2-4 p.m. A town office representative will be available to license your dog that day also.

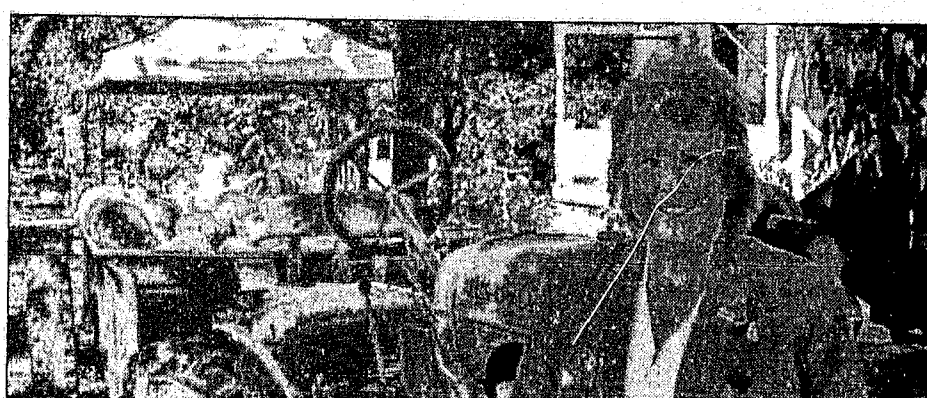
Although it hasn't snowed yet, the office is also able to register your snowmobile now. Be ready for the first storm, as it is rumored this winter is going to be a bit more brutal than the last few we have had.

The Airport lighting upgrade project is set to kick off on Nov. 7 and will last for approximately three weeks. This delay has occurred due to the contractor having a difficult time obtaining Made in the USA parts (a requirement of any projects using FAA funds). During that time the runway will be closed for a total of two weeks. Notices pertaining to the closure are posted on our website and on the airport's website as a current NOTAM. Please let us know if you have any questions surrounding this project.

The Ordinance Review Committee is continuing work on the Sewer and Sign Code. The Board of Selectmen did ask that a Sign Committee be developed to work on the issues surrounding the Sign Code. If you are interested in filling a position, please see the front office.

If there is anything I, or the employees of the town can do for you, please do not hesitate to contact us. We are here for you.

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Soccer

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passes rather than just kicking the ball with no thought.

Everyone understands the concept of protect, possess, score. If we protect the ball by not making poor decisions and making smart passes, we then possess the ball longer. If we maintain possession it allows more opportunities to score. The game is not about just kicking the ball and chasing it around.

Bottom line is that these boys are not only physically talented but also very smart, thinking about the game and making good decisions while using their individual skills to bring each other to a higher level of play.

It is a privilege to coach and mentor these kids. They are very respectful and mindful of what it takes to be better players. As a coach it is amazing to see their progress through the season and the years.

The team members are:

6th: Tristan Pelletier, Dante Maravell, Isaiah Connolly, James Mastroianni, Oliver Barrett, Kayden Willey, Ben Beckerman, Ronald Brassard, Eli Shiffrin, Travis Kneeland.

7th: Caleb Mitchell, Caleb Grammas, Jake Chiasson, Harry Connors, Huntley Blair, Myles Lilly, River Wilson.

8th: Alex Baribeau, Mario DeVivo, Austin Westleigh, Max Kruse, Orion Fournier, Dylan Greenberg.

(Connolly also expressed appreciation for recent youth coaches, among them Lauren Head, Brett Shiffrin, Heidi Godomsky and Kurt Simard, as well as the cooperation on field usage among the town, the school district, and Gould Academy.)

Girls' Team, by Coach Robert Dow:

A big part of their success came from the fact that they came to middle school with basic soccer skills that we always continue to improve on, but it is a reflection of the excellent job that town and travel team coaches have done. Many thanks and recognition to Doug Pereira, Kasey Jerome, Jason Lilly, Janet Stevenson, John DeVivo, Tanya Gaunt, Rachel

Guay, Bruce Pierce, Leanne Candor, Celia Dietrich and the work of Eric List in years past. Also, thank you to the parents for all of their dedication and support for the girls.

The team outscored their opponents 44-2, with 11 different players contributing to that tally. Six different players contributed to the total of 18 assists on the year, which is also very important and impressive.

The Lady Rebels took their practices seriously, but also knew the importance of having fun. They always worked very hard to stay in shape and improve on their soccer skills, persevering through many sore muscles, aches and pains. They were dependable, responsible, and kept themselves healthy and academically eligible all season. They represented their team, school and community with pride and humility on and off the field (see photo below). The whole team was also very polite and respectful towards officials, opponents, teammates and the coaches.

These things, plus a high level of natural athletic talent, all contributed to their successful season, but many of the girls also brought a certain level of soccer intelligence to the team that helped everyone understand the coaches' strategies and the purpose of skill drills in practice and, of course, how to work together as a team at all times. Whenever the team would analyze their own games or some high school games we attended, the quality of their comments clearly reflected this. They showed a very good understanding of the game of soccer.

There was also a team chemistry that was not something they learned from coaches or parents. Team chemistry is one of the most complicated keys to the success of organizations. Effective teams are more than just a collection of talented members. To be effective, a team has to be able to combine the efforts and abilities of members in the right way. This years Lady Rebels put it together in a perfect way.



A FINE RECORD, ON THE FIELD AND OFF—Members of the TMS girls soccer team worked very hard Oct. 15 putting on a car wash to raise money for flood victims in Baton Rouge, La. The team also finished its season undefeated (see story below). The car wash earned \$491 in donations. Afterward, one final anonymous donation brought the total to \$500. "I'm very proud of this group of girls, not only for their incredible talent and teamwork on the field, their excellent work ethic in practice, and keeping up with their schoolwork, but also for their willingness to provide a community service to help less fortunate people in another part of the country," said Coach Bob Dow. From left are Shelby Thorman, Codi Duclos, Ellen Files, Odessa Files, Macie Hallett, Autumn Harrison, Lydia Bennett, Alyana Chartier, Molly Pereira, Ella Kellogg, Talia Paaso, and Ava Mastroianni. Not in photo: Riley Jerome and Chelsea Duclos. In addition to the team, also helping out were Tanya Gaunt (who also brought hot chocolate) and Robert Mastroianni, who donated pizza for lunch for the crew.

Submitted photo

Issues

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Dana Hanley, who is not running.

For Register of Probate, Republican incumbent Jennifer McPhee Dilworth of Norway is running unopposed.

Incumbent Oxford County Commissioner David Duguay of Byron, a Democrat, is running unopposed in District 2, which includes local towns Andover, Bethel, Gilead, Hanover, Newry and Upton.

In County Commissioner District 1, incumbent Steve Merrill of Norway is challenged by Democrat Michael McKinney of Hiram. Local municipalities Albany Township, Greenwood, Mason and Stoneham are in that district.

For U.S. Congress, Democrat Emily Cain of Orono is challenging incumbent Republican Rep. Bruce Poliquin of Oakland.

Referendum questions

The state referendum questions are as follows:

Question 1: Citizen Initiative

Do you want to allow the possession and use of marijuana under state law by persons who are at least 21 years of age, and allow the cultivation, manufacture, distribution, testing, and sale of marijuana and marijuana products subject to state regulation, taxation and local ordinance?

Question 2: Citizen Initiative

Do you want to add a 3% tax on individual Maine taxable income above \$200,000 to create a state fund that would provide direct support for student learning in kindergarten through 12th grade public education?

Question 3: Citizen Initiative

Do you want to require background

checks prior to the sale or transfer of firearms between individuals not licensed as firearms dealers, with failure to do so punishable by law, and with some exceptions for family members, hunting, self-defense, lawful competitions, and shooting range activity?

Question 4: Citizen Initiative

Do you want to raise the minimum hourly wage of \$7.50 to \$9 in 2017, with annual \$1 increases up to \$12 in 2020, and annual cost-of-living increases thereafter; and do you want to raise the direct wage for service workers who receive tips from half the minimum wage to \$5 in 2017, with annual \$1 increases until it reaches the adjusted minimum wage?

Question 5: Citizen Initiative

Do you want to allow voters to rank their choices of candidates in elections for U.S. Senate, Congress, Governor, State Senate, and State Representative, and to have ballots counted at the state level in multiple rounds in which last-place candidates are eliminated until a candidate wins by majority?

Question 6: Bond Issue

Do you favor a \$100,000,000 bond issue for construction, reconstruction and rehabilitation of highways and bridges and for facilities, equipment and property acquisition related to ports, harbors, marine transportation, freight and passenger railroads, aviation, transit and bicycle and pedestrian trails, to be used to match an estimated \$137,000,000 in federal and other funds?

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Ballots

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craft a new cost-sharing formula opted to bring to voters a proposal that would ultimately shift \$402,638 in annual education costs from Newry to the other district towns.

In the first two years under the new formula, Newry would pay \$268,425 less than its current payment of \$3,018,194 toward the approximately \$8.1 million of the district's budget raised locally.

Bethel would pay \$173,737 more than its current share of \$2,888,029; Greenwood, \$4,472 more than its current \$1,049,493; and Woodstock, \$90,216 more than its current \$1,179,618.

Beginning in FY'20, Bethel would pay \$260,605 more than currently, Greenwood would pay \$6,709 more, and Woodstock would pay \$135,324 more.

Impact on taxpayers

Town Managers Christine Landes of Bethel, Vern Maxfield of Woodstock and Kim Sparks of Greenwood recently did rough estimates of the tax impact of a formula change on a \$100,000 property in their towns. The estimates were calculated by adding the projected increases to the current year budget, without any other changes.

In Bethel, the estimated first-year tax increase under the 90/10 format (using the current mill rate) was \$42, and two years later, under 85/15, there is another \$21 increase (for a combined three-year increase of \$63).

In Woodstock, the estimated increase was about \$23 each for both formula formats (for a three-year combined increase of \$47), while in Greenwood it was about \$4 and \$8, respectively (for a three-year increase of \$12).

A simple majority of district voters is needed to approve the funding formula change.

Fairness
Some have viewed a change to the funding formula as a possible way to keep Newry from voting to leave the school district - a move that would severely impact the remaining towns financially, because they would have to make up for the loss of about \$2.5 million from Newry, according to SAD 44.

But approval of the cost shift would not legally put an end to the ongoing efforts by some Newry residents to withdraw.

The withdrawal process, intended to produce an agreement between SAD 44 and Newry for Newry residents to vote upon, is currently in a stalemate. Negotiations stalled after Newry asked for counter-offers from the district

to the town's proposal to gradually decrease over 10 years its share of the budget after withdrawal.

Jim Sysko, chairman of the Newry Withdrawal Committee, said at a recent public hearing on the formula proposal that it will be for Newry voters to decide whether to continue the withdrawal process after the Nov. 8 formula vote.

"We do have ideas on how we can keep it going, even though we've been stalled. So when you're voting on this, you've got to realize that Newry still has the potential to withdraw, and that would be a big shock to the system," he said.

Sysko said Newry residents are experiencing "rural gentrification" and face long-term, rising property valuations, forcing them into paying higher taxes or, for some, selling their homes and leaving.

He and other residents have also noted that when Newry's share of the budget is divided by its number of students (about two dozen) Newry pays at about \$120,000 per student, while the state average student tuition cost is about \$10,000. (Newry's overall town population is about 350.)

Sysko said there are other school districts in which some towns are more property-rich than others and have fewer students (though not with the disparity of Newry), and student population is still factored into their local funding. He cited neighboring SAD 17 (with a 75 percent valuation/25 percent student population split) as an example.

He also noted information from Newry educational consultant Dr. Mark Eastman, who said Eustis, which withdrew from SAD 58, had been paying 32 percent of the school budget and had about 10 percent of the students.

But Woodstock School Board member Marcel Polak, who opposes a SAD 44 formula change, has said he believes that the current, valuation-based method is fair and Newry taxpayers as individuals do not have a higher tax rate.

He said he is concerned that a permanent tax increase in three of the district's towns will make voters less open to approving possible budget increases in future years. He said he is also concerned about increasing taxes without a corresponding benefit to educational programs. For example, the School Board has held off adding a pre-K program

at a cost of \$75-80,000 for a teacher, out of worry about increasing the budget, he said.

Polak and others have also argued that 84 percent, or about \$338,000 of the amount of tax to be shifted from Newry to the other towns is paid by second homeowners. Six percent is paid by Sunday River, while 10 percent, or about \$40,000, is paid by year-round residents.

SAD 44 officials have also said in the past that school district taxes should be viewed as "regional taxes" that are just collected by the towns in order to support a common school system, rather than as town taxes.

Regarding the likelihood of Newry continuing to pursue withdrawal from SAD 44, Polak said earlier this month that SAD 44's attorney told the School Board the only way Newry can now continue the withdrawal process is to take the district to court.

Polak said that while it is possible Newry could still withdraw, he thought the probability is low, given the cost of going to court.

RECYCLING
Bethel area towns that are still members of the Oxford County Regional Recycling Corp. will decide Nov. 8 whether to dissolve that organization as of July 1, 2017.

The 15 municipalities that are members include Bethel, Hanover, Greenwood, Woodstock, Milton Township, Newry, Gilead, Upton, Lincoln Plantation, Norway, Paris, Otisfield, Denmark, Hebron and Livermore.

The organization was originally formed to improve buying and selling power for recyclables. Each town has paid dues to cover costs. But in recent times markets have declined, with a significant reduction in revenue.

Of the remaining members of OCRRC, five have changed to single stream recycling, and none of the material from those towns goes to the Norway/Paris OCRRC center any longer.

Single-stream recycling means all recyclables are put into one collection place. They are shipped to a plant outside the Norway/Paris area. Bethel, Newry, Hanover, Woodstock and Greenwood currently do single stream.

If the vote is to dissolve OCRRC, its assets will be sold and the funds distributed to the towns based on their initial investment and population.

If OCRRC is not dissolved, single-stream towns will decide whether to continue paying dues.

Care

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Caregivers frequently experience financial strain as well, and often the need to provide care necessitates a reduction in employment. Accessing support in the workplace is key to caregivers' success and wellbeing.

This Conversation on Caregiving, which is being repeated in several communities around the state during the month of

November, can help family caregivers identify and access avenues of support.

By adding their voices to those of community providers, policy experts, and business and community leaders, caregivers can help to build a roadmap for collective action to address the many challenges care partners face.

Pre-registration is required for the event. The

fee of \$30 (\$25 for registrants who choose free membership in TSLCA) includes a continental breakfast and a deli lunch.

There are scholarships available. For more information and to register, visit <http://agefriendly.community/crossborder-conversations> or call TSLCA at (207) 592-9972.

Absentee

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ers and Milton (which votes in Woodstock) has 113. There have been 85 absentee ballot requests for Woodstock and 11 from Milton. In 2012 there were 122 total from Woodstock and six from Milton.

Andover, with 658 registered voters, had 49 requests as of Monday, compared to 77 total in 2012. "I'm expecting an influx of requests in the next week," said Town Clerk Melinda Averill.

In Gilead, with 131 registered voters, there had been eight requests as of Monday for ballots. Town Clerk Lin Chapman said. That is the same as the total number in 2012, when there were 142 registered voters.

The deadline to request absentee ballots is Thursday, Nov. 3. They must be returned by Election Day at 8 p.m.

From the OCS

Patrol Log

Tuesday, Oct. 18

At 3:17 p.m. Deputies Steve Witham and Matt McDonnell responded to Main Street in Bethel for a report of unwanted protestors.

Thursday, Oct. 20

At 10:14 a.m. Mitchell J. Cooper, 42, of Bethel was arrested by Deputy James McLamb on a warrant for failure to pay fines.

At 3:55 p.m. Deputy Andy Whitney spoke with a complainant about a possible trespassing/marijuana issue on

Parkway in Bethel. The complainant was advised of their rights as a property owner.

Friday, Oct. 21

At 12:15 p.m. Deputy Josh Aylward took a report of harassment involving a political campaign in Bethel.

Saturday, Oct. 22

At 11:05 p.m. Deputy James McLamb responded to a domestic incident on Broad Street.

Sunday, Oct. 23

At 1:34 p.m. Deputy Derek MacDonald received a report of a family trespass issue in Bethel.

Bethel

By DON BENNETT



At the start of the week, the Bethel Public Works men were putting the finishing

landscape touches to the outdoor basketball court where it joins the Bethel Pathway. The court looks like it is ready to be paved.

Painting of the Androscoggin bridge was ongoing and for most of the week traffic during the day was one way.

We were all very glad to have a rainy weekend. At our house the rainfall amounted to 3 1/4 inches as of Sunday morning. Twitchell Brook, which had completely dried up, was running full force again.

At the Sudbury Inn

During the week a crew of men was replacing the roof on the Sudbury Inn's "new" section - the one added in 1912. My photo of the job seemed to attract a fair amount of interest. This is the part of the Inn

which Wallace Kilgore had added to the original building during 1912 and 13 after he had opened a new lodging called the Maple Inn in the original building on the corner of Clark and Main Streets in 1911.

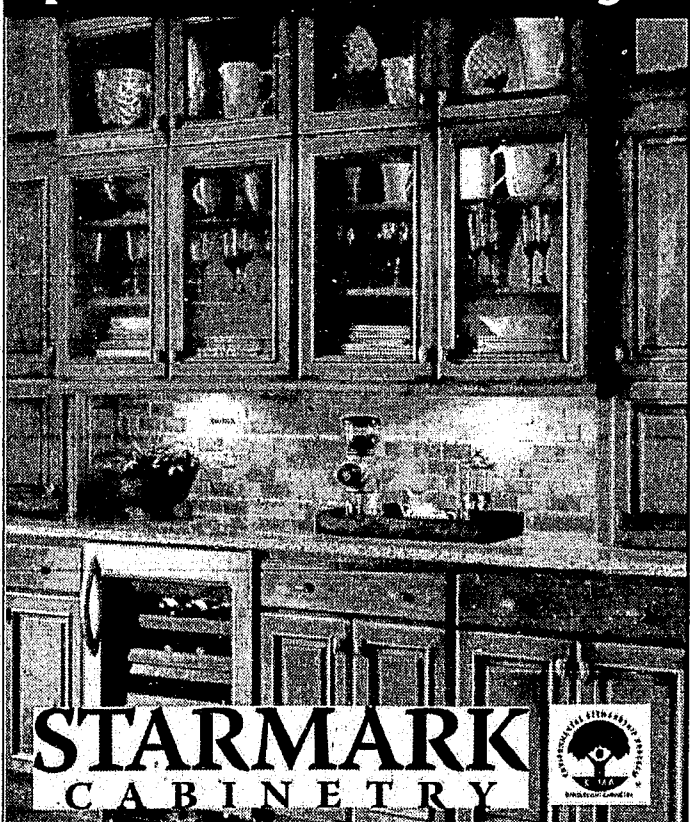
Mr. Kilgore owned and operated the Poplar Tavern in North Newry at that time. Five months earlier, in July 1911, Bethel's Prospect Hotel, which could accommodate up to 200 guests, had burned leaving Bethel village without a major traveler accommodation. Mr. Kilgore probably saw this as a good business opportunity for him to fill the traveler room gap. He also probably saw this as an offset for the developing situation where tourists and vacationers were traveling by automobile, stopping for only overnight stays. This type of guest did not fit the business objectives of a place like Poplar Tavern, which depended on guests staying for a week or longer to make their business profitable.

One thing I noticed about the Sudbury Inn is its webpage claims "The Sudbury Inn is a 1873 Bethel Maine Bed and Breakfast country inn." When I asked a previous inn owner, he told me that apparently this date was found somewhere in the part of the Inn previously owned by Judge (of Probate) Enoch Woodbury and later by his partner in the store business, Josiah Purington. Josiah Purington was born in Brunswick, Maine April 30, 1847. In 1873, after coming to Bethel he married Francetta Adelia, daughter of Hon. Enoch W. Woodbury. So the 1873 date that the Sudbury uses may have come from this event.

For more about the inn see: http://www.thebetheljournals.info/NAMES/Josiah_Purington.pdf and http://www.thebetheljournals.info/Inns/Sudbury_Inn_Bethel.pdf

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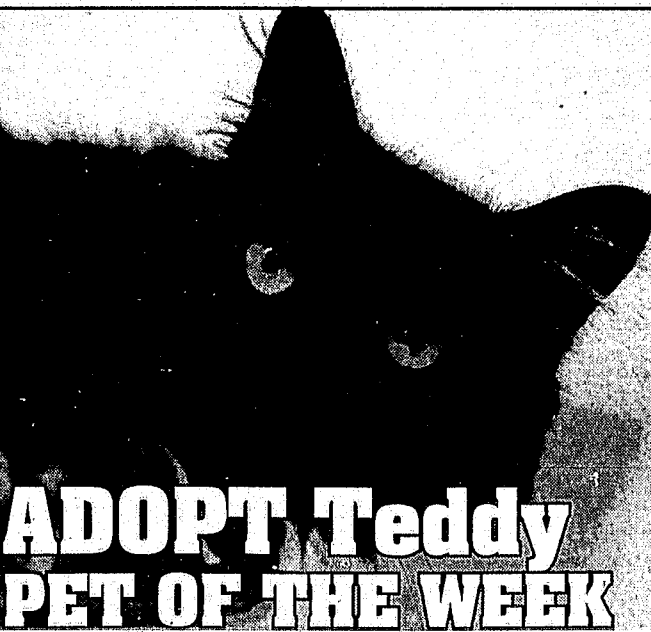
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now known as "The Hastings Block" on the corner of Main and Church Streets – the place owned by Bob Laux. The name comes from Daniel Hastings who had the building put up in 1908 after fire had destroyed a previous store on this site. The name "Honest Corner" comes from the years of honest, reliable dealings between merchants and the public from businesses located at the head of Main Street.

Both the Hastings Block building and across the street, the "Annie Hastings house" have seen a great variety in businesses located in these two buildings. The intent of the builders was to make a profit from business rentals.

The Hastings Block for most of its first 60 years was a food store site for the following: Charles Lucas, Llewellyn Ramsell, Philip Burns, Ralph Young, Maurice McInnis, Stuart Martin, Paul Shaw and Harry Dunn. Until 1952, the third floor space was the Bethel Masonic Lodge Hall. The Masons moved from there to the



The Bethel town crew recently filled, graded and finished off the outdoor basketball court's border area along the Bethel Pathway. See Bethel Bennett column for more.

D. Bennett

former Christian Science Church building behind the Odd Fellows Hall now the Maine Mineral and Gem Museum.

The Hastings building was obviously meant to provide housing for a variety of businesses not just food. Three dentists have had practices there, Dr. Tuell, Dr. Brown and Dr. Trinward. Others include the Willard's who owned the Window Box. The Waterhouse's operated Edelweiss which specialized in wines; they were followed by Hugh and Lynn Chapman. And Ed Lyon

had a jewelry store; there was Larry's Army Navy Surplus, William Lamson had TV sales, in 1935 William Gerard had Delco radios, washing machines and dryers. There was Skidders Deli and Keenan Auction Co. Maureen Ginter had a wood and glass gallery; Jeff Prest had a real estate office. The Willard's created two apartments and Mr. Laux established executive suites as well as Wild River Realty.

Across the street, the "Annie Hastings" house had a similar resume of business tenant experi-

ences: Richard Frye's law office; Young's Harness Shop; and others include a meat business, bakery, ice cream parlor, electrical appliances, photo studio, law offices and lastly the law office of Henry Hastings.

Just from these two cases one can see how changes in marketing and consumer needs over the years as well as the automobile and refrigeration have greatly reduced the viability and appeal of small stores located near potential customers.

For more details refer to the Bethel Historical Society's The Bethel Courier where Rosalind Chapman wrote an extensive series of articles about Bethel's Main Street up to 1997.



1931: The store of L. W. Ramsell Co. was located at the corner of Main and Church Streets. Since 1875 this stand has been called "Honest Corner" and was formerly the site of the store of Gilman F. Bean. Honest integrity and fair dealing gave it the name in olden days.

Bethel

By LINDA HOWE



Hello Bethel Citizens - This past Saturday evening I

traveled up to Berlin, N.H. to the St. Kieran Community Center of the Arts to take in a show. LYRA is a community of professional musicians most of whom are graduates of the St. Petersburg Conservatory and sing in churches and musical theaters of Russia and Belarus. This group of three men and

two women toured eight states throughout New England and the Mid-Atlantic where they have been presenting over 40 concerts in September and October. The five vocalists were a soprano, mezzo-soprano, tenor, baritone, and bass with very powerful voices. It was interesting hearing sacred chants of the Russian Orthodox Church with Russian folk songs concluding the program. I was truly moved by the power, strength and emotion in their voices as they sang a cappella. I am grateful that they were willing to travel to the United States and share

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Highlights of the Greenwood selectmen's meeting

Oct. 4, 2016

Call the meeting to order - Chair Henderson called the Meeting to order at 5 p.m. Selectman Amy Chapman was absent from the meeting.

Review and approve Warrant # 13 (\$18,762.54), and Warrant # 14 (\$44,490.51) It was motioned and seconded to approve Warrant # 13 & Warrant # 14 as presented. Vote 2-0. Motion passes.

Review minutes of Sept. 20, 2016 - Minutes were read. It was motioned and seconded to approve the Minutes of Sept. 20, 2016 as presented. Vote 2-0. Motion passes.

Selectmen contacted outside of meeting - Selectman Jordan stated that no one contacted him about anything - he did get a few comments about Johnny's Bridge.

Discuss request for a "No Action Letter" for Sylvia and Gerard Poulin, 72 Big Island Lane, Ms. Sylvia Poulin was present and explained to the Board that she is in the process of selling their property at 72 Big Island Lane. She stated that in preparation for the sale of the property the Title Company noticed that their deck was built too close to the abutter. She explained that a portion of the deck does not meet the town's current setback of 20'. She explained that the property is in a subdivision and the deck didn't meet the setback requirement of the subdivision covenants. She stated that the deck was built back in 1997 and has never been an issue. Ms. Poulin submitted copies of the Big Island Shores subdivision - waiver of set-back requirements signed by all of the current lot owners. She explained that the subdivision covenants required a 30' setback. Selectman Henderson stated that he would sign this letter as the abutters had signed the waiver. The Board reviewed the paperwork and signed the "No Action Letter" for Sylvia and Gerard Poulin.

Review and sign Warrant and Notice of Election for SAD 44 Referendum.

The Board signed the Warrant and Notice of Election for SAD 44 Referendum.

Review and sign Warrant and Notice of Election for OCRR.

The Board signed the Warrant and Notice of Election for OCRR.

Review and sign Hicks Cemetery Conveyance for Henry and Patricia Stewart.

The Board reviewed and approved the conveyance for Henry and Patricia Stewart.

Adjourn - Having no further business, it was motioned and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 5:35 p.m. Vote 2-0. Motion passes and meeting is adjourned.

(Note: The complete minutes of this meeting are available at the Greenwood Town Office.)

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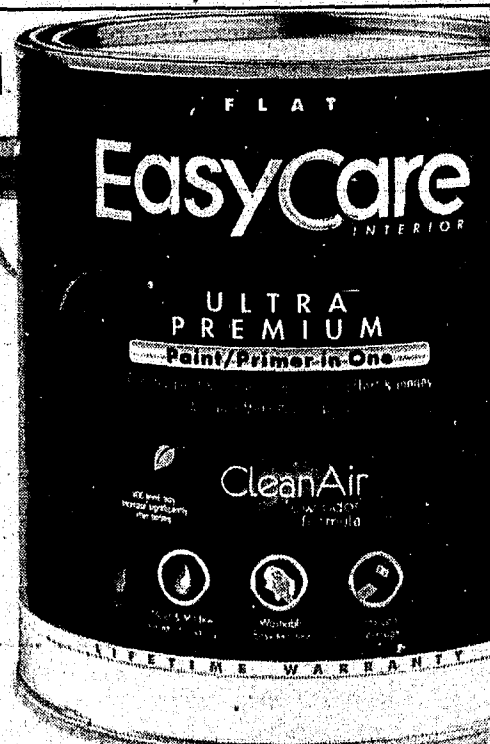
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This is a friendly reminder that the first payment for Bethel property taxes are due on Nov. 1 with interest beginning on Nov. 2 for late payments.

The annual Crescent Park School Halloween Parade is this coming Monday with 240 students and staff leaving the school at 1:30 p.m. The parade route starts on Crescent Lane with a right turn onto Mason Street, down Chapman Street, turning left on Main Street. Parade continues up Main Street to pass through the Northeast Bank who give treats to all the students. Leaving the bank will put them on Spring Street that leads to Mason Street then back to the school. All grades K to 5 will participate in the parade that lasts approximately 30 minutes. If you like a parade then it will be your lucky day on Oct. 31!

It is common knowledge that exercise helps with wellness. Time magazine's recent Sept. 12 issue had an article about the importance of exercise and health. Dr. Mark Tarnopolsky states that "the most effective, potent way that we can improve the quality of life and duration of life is exercise." Exercise is important but where in Bethel do we have opportunities to exercise? In the upcoming weeks I will write about different venues and classes in Bethel that folks can take advantage of for wellness purposes.

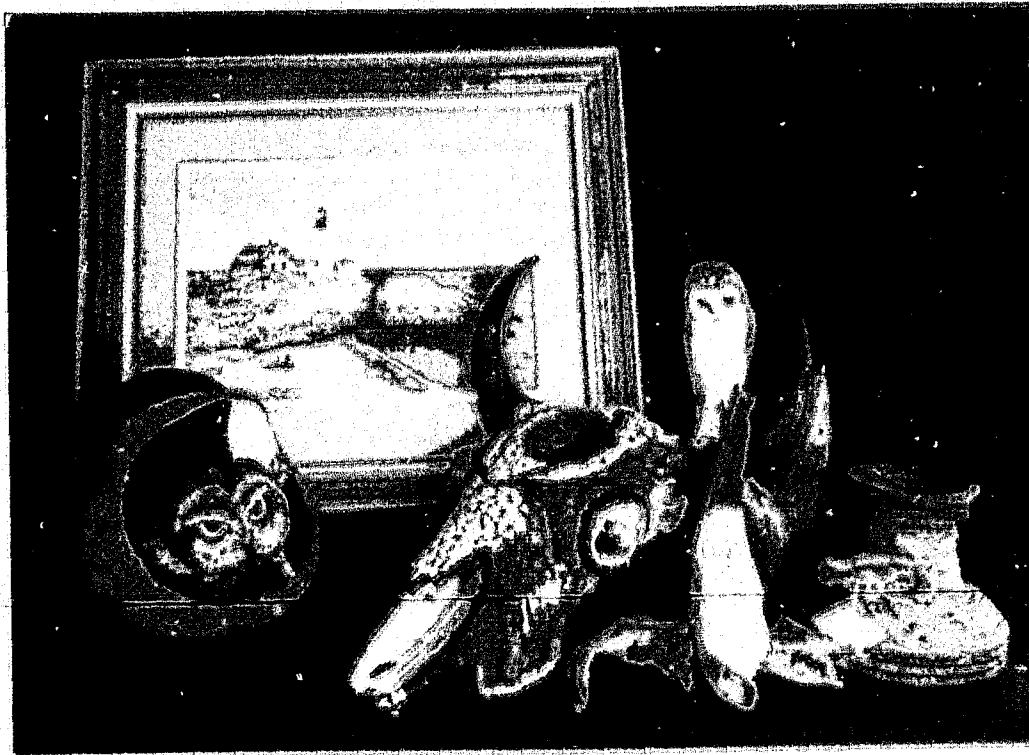
Rain this past weekend was a welcome sight. However, we are still in a drought situation and need more rain for the water table to be up to a normal range. Speaking of water, our neighbors in Rumford are still navigating through a water issue. Math question - If 100 million gallons of water from a specific region is pumped out in a year, how many years can you extract the water before you take it all away? Can anyone answer that question? Anyone with answers, news or thoughts can reach me at 824-2328 or at lhowe7273@gmail.com

East Bethel

By WALLY RITZ



Do hope this will still make the paper as I am this Monday evening over the time to put in my column. It just was one of these days. I finally made it to a football game at Telstar to watch



ART AT FARMERS' MARKET-The Greenwood Farmers' Market will be featuring the art work of Jane Hathaway during its next market on Oct. 28, 4 to 6 p.m., at the Greenwood Town Hall, Locke Mills (the market takes place every other Friday, year round). After returning home to Maine after eight years in southern New Mexico, Jane has joined the Greenwood Farmers' Market with her eclectic works of art. It includes paintings in several mediums, carvings in wood and gourds, pottery style baskets out of used lassos and several mediums. With the Christmas season approaching, she will have driftwood Santas, ornaments and many other surprises as the season starts up. Come to the market and check out other vendors' great selection of local foods, and check out Jane's work at the same time. For more information about the Greenwood Farmers' Market, contact Suzanne Dunham, 665-2957 or dunhamfarm@msn.com; to contact Jane Hathaway, send email to janleac2002@gmail.com

my granddaughter cheerlead. Was it ever so darn cold and am sorry to say, I did leave early. Telstar was leading at the time and I do hope they won the game. Loved the part of seniors and their parents being honored. Go Team and the cheerleaders! Took me some time to warm up again and get my joints going once I got home.

So again, I apologize and you can call me at 507-1008 or e-mail heinrichcracker@gmail.com.

Had a nice long conversation with Arlene Harrington. Here is the version you get. Her sister Charmaine of Rochester, N.H. was here visiting from Oct. 13 through the 18th. They had great sister time together.

Answer to the Trivia: Charles Francis Abbot owned an apple orchard on Swan's Hill. Til next week again.

West Bethel

By KAREN PAUL



Just like that we had arrived and were summoned like a herd of sheep onto a large porch where rows of chairs had been arranged. Most of us sat and listened to a gentleman guide reciting the story of Tom and Olive Plant. Their stone estate straddles the rocky edge of an ancient volcano. The

Plants named their home Lucknow, moving into the building in 1914. High up in the circular Ossipee Mountain Range, Castle in the Clouds opened to the public in 1959; the house is an atypical model of Arts and Crafts architecture. Much of the stone was mined from the giant, prehistoric volcano nearby. Looking at a topo map I could see a round depression where the cone of the volcano once stood over 10,000 feet in the air.

At one time there were an estimated 1,000 workers including many Italian stonemasons building this home. Thomas Plant was born in 1859 and made his fortune in the shoe manufacturing industry, retiring as a millionaire at age 51, having sold his business to the United Shoe Machinery Company in 1910. Thomas married Olive in 1913 and created his country estate on the property known as Ossipee Mountain Park.

I found it amazing that one man owned 6,300 acres encompassing not only the Ossipee Mountains but 10 miles of shoreline property on Lake Winnepesaukee. Mr. Plant built an 18 hole golf course near the lake and lived at Lucknow until his death in 1941. Since 2006 the estate has been owned and operated by Castle Preservation Society. There are

spectacular views from every room. Mr. Plant had central vacuuming, ammonia brine refrigeration, and intercom systems installed long before the rest of the state. I found the home to be very comfortable and snuggly than most castles I've visited. Dad and Gerry loved the pool room and the hidden room in the corner of the library. All in all we were impressed with the little castle on the hill.

Newry

By DOUG WEBSTER



Get ready for winter! I heard this morning that Killington was going to open. Sounds like they beat Sunday River to the punch this year, but in all it really doesn't matter who opens first; it's about the quality of the skiing, and Sunday River has always produced some of the best skiing in the east.

I haven't heard an opening date, but I'm sure it will be soon. Have a great ski season.

I talked to Newry's CEO this week, and if anybody is having trouble with their well going dry, go in and see Dave. He might have some information for you on getting help with a new well.

Andover

By JANE RICH



Sometime ago I told my readers not to fear for Mike Clement's sanity if they saw him running around with a fish net. He was trying to catch a domesticated rabbit who was left outside when its owners moved. The rabbit has turned out to be a crafty creature that has learned how to avoid the net. So Mike's remedy for this has been to buy a bigger net which he thinks was used for smelting. Meanwhile the rabbit is in danger of losing his nine, at least, lives as bitter cold descends upon our little community. Rabbit does not like rabbit food or any of the other enticing things he's been offered.

Speaking of cold weather, the Sno-Valley Snow Goers will hold a regular meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 2 at 6:30 p.m. at their clubhouse off Route 5. There will be a discussion of club activities. Both residents and non-residents are invited to become club members. Membership applications may be had by writing to the club at P.O. Box 159, Andover, ME, 04216 or by calling George Thew at 207-392-1425 or by Andover Trails on Facebook.

The next major event in town is Nov. 8, Election Day. This is an important election so plan to vote. While you're exercising your civic duty, plan to attend the Hunters/Election Day Supper at the First Congregational Church. The first sitting is at 5 p.m. Adults are \$8 and children under 12 are \$4. The menu is chili, casseroles, corn bread, rolls, salads and apple crisp for dessert.

You'll want to set aside Saturday, Nov. 19th from 9-3 p.m. to participate in the Andover Parent Teacher Group's second annual craft/vendor fair for Andover Elementary.

The event will be using the town hall this year because of the huge response and need for more space. Both floors of the building will feature crafts and vendors with many ideas for Christmas gifts. This one day event will see the participation of the local artists group who will have a display of their work at what use to be Addie's Restaurant. Some items will also be for sale. Other participants include Mills Market and Andover General. The Little Red Hen will be running their holiday pie special, order two pies get the third pie half off. In addition the First Congregational Church has moved their Christmas fair to the same day. Come and enjoy the Spirit of the Village.

Long-time resident Paul Nevel is now at the Marshwood Center, 33 Roger Street, Lewiston, ME 04240 and would appreciate your cards or a visit. Paul has been chosen to go on the Honor Flight to Washington DC on Oct. 20th and returning on the 30th. This program honors those who served in WWII.

TOWN OFFICE NEWS:

The Budget Committee will convene on Wednesday, Nov. 9 at 6 p.m. in the town office. At that time they will elect a chair and have some general instructions from the selectmen.

Treasurer, Barbara Simmons, notified the selectboard that we will need over \$700,000 to finish our obligations for school and loan payments by the end of the year. Tax payers are urged to make payments. The large increase in the mill rate and amounts due has some people unable to meet their total payment obligation. It is suggested that they pay what they can in a sign of good faith and to help the town meet its obligations.

There have been several inquiries about the status of the Akers Bridge. We are waiting for the engi-

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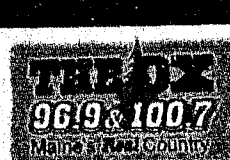
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neering plan to be drawn up so that an estimate of the cost of a new bridge can be determined. Then we will have to raise and appropriate the money for the project. Road Commissioner, Mark Farrington, thinks the temporary bridge is adequate for the winter.

Absentee ballots are now available at the town office or one could be mailed to you by calling the town office at 892-3302.

Locke's Mills

By AMY WIGHT CHAPMAN

Anita Hakala fell down stairs at her home last week, breaking several bones in her shoulder, as well as her clavicle. She was at Maine Medical Center, where I believe shoulder replacement surgery was done, and was due to be moved to Norway Rehab early this week. I'm sure she would appreciate everyone's thoughts and prayers.

I heard from Joyce Hathaway that Mary Smith is now at Market Square Healthcare in South Paris. Our rain gauge shows that we got a total of about two inches of rain over the weekend, and when Tony went out to check on our well, he said the water level had come up by at least eight inches, which is good news. We still need more rain to alleviate drought conditions before winter, and it looks like there's more in store for us at the end of this week.

For anyone who is a family caregiver, the Tri-State Learning Collaborative on Aging is sponsoring "A Conversation on Caregiving" at the Grand Summit at Sunday River—see more information elsewhere in this week's Citizen.

It will take place from 9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 17, and it sounds like a great opportunity for caregivers to gather information and expand their support networks. If you plan to attend, you need to pre-register by visiting <http://agefriendly.org>.

community/crossborder conversations or calling TSLCA at (207) 592-9972. The cost is \$30, which includes lunch, and there are scholarships available for those who need them.

After a month of doing outside projects while the weather was good, Tony and I used the rainy weekend to get back to our basement project, pouring a cement floor in a 12- by 16-foot space, using a rather small cement mixer and a lot of determination. So far we've poured the pad under the bottom of the stairs and one four-by-eight-foot section, so we have quite a ways to go before it's done.

I've also been tackling some organizing projects in the rest of the house, which involved, among other things, visiting Maine Line Products and coming home with 11 Shaker peg racks in various lengths. Yes, 11. I've been searching for the perfect storage solution for decades, especially for things like hats and mittens, craft materials, and what a friend of mine once called "half-worn clothes" (worn too long to go back in the closet, but still too clean to wash). I've tried shelves, drawers, and cubbies, and now I'm just going to try hanging everything up.

Watch for a progress report once I get all these darn things installed. And if you need any Shaker peg racks to solve your own organizational challenges, get right over to Maine Line Products, where they have them in many different sizes and at very reasonable prices. I was actually thinking of buying the pegs and making my own, something I've done before, until I came to my senses and realized my organizational time could be better spent sorting socks or figuring out how to pare down my stash of yarn. Don't forget the farmers' market this Friday from 4-6 p.m. at the Town Hall! Have a good week! Email your news to amy.w.chapman@gmail.com, find me on Facebook, or give me a call at 890-4812.



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Upton

By JOE BERNIER

No more Letter B Notch Rider meetings this year, but the work goes on. The officers are working on permission for another trail, the annual paperwork has to be completed and submitted to the state and trail signs that are potentially in the way of snowplows and groomers need to be moved and stored.

Upton received its first measurable snowfall of the season Saturday night and Sunday morning. A half inch of the beautiful white stuff was on my lawn and fields. I did not get my snowmobile out but I seriously considered it.

One of my sisters, I will call her Chip, writes a blog for the Bangor Daily News. The blog is titled "The Practical Preptender." The most recent is one of my favorites. It is worth checking out.

We average about one trick-or-treater every fourth year. However, Penny always stocks up, just in case. We usually have enough candy to get us through to Thanksgiving.

The Upton Planning Board

will meet Friday, Oct. 28, 7 p.m. at it Upton Town Office. Their next scheduled meeting will be Friday, Feb. 24, 2017.

Please send an email to backstjoe@gmail.com to share your local news.

Mason

By RICHARD GROVER

Sometimes it's nice to be lucky, and sometimes it's just great! What follows is one perfect example of "lucky."

Last Sept. 1, Mona and I headed westward on our annual "visit our kids" migration. We spent that first night, Thursday, visiting nephews and nieces in Colchester, Vt., then headed southwest on Friday morning. We hoped to be at daughter Cheryl's home by the following Monday afternoon (Labor Day).

All was well as we headed southwest on Interstate 81 until we stopped at a rest area about 40 miles north of Binghamton, N.Y. As I usually do when travelling with our camper trailer, I made a walk around inspection of the camper before hitting the road again.

Oh! Oh! I noticed a broken shackle rod hanging down between the two tires on the passenger side of the trailer. Here it is Friday afternoon on Labor Day weekend, and I have no idea where I can find the right mechanic around here. I tried calling AAA roadside assistance, but the lady on the phone had no idea where we could get a camper worked on. Then I noticed a couple of younger looking men in the next parking space looking over their race car on a trailer behind their pickup. Maybe they can suggest something.

I walked over and asked them if they knew of a place in the area where I could get the camper fixed. One of the fellas said, "If you continue south on the interstate to Exit 8, there's the little town of Bainbridge, New York where there are a couple of camping areas. There might be someone there who could do that kind of work. You could ask at the service station right there at Exit 8."

We got back on I-81 southbound wondering how badly those tires were going to wear with the dangling shackle and how were we going to get the thing fixed on Friday afternoon of a four-day holiday weekend! Visions of camping four days and missing our date with

Cheryl filled me with anxiety as we cruised along. Soon we made Exit 8, and I went into the Exxon station looking for someone who looked local. There were two fellows sitting in a booth with John Deere baseball caps on who looked like a good place to start.

One of them looked up at my question and said, "There's a place called Winn's just across the river that always has a couple of mechanics working on stuff. It's easy to find. Just go across that bridge, turn right at the first street and you'll find it on the left side of the road just a little ways down. They can fix it if anybody can."

I jumped back into my pickup, full of high hopes. Here it was about 3:30 p.m., and they might be able to get us back on the road before they close up shop for the weekend! We crossed the bridge, turned right and drove a couple miles without seeing Winn's. Asked a couple more people and finally found one who said, "Just watch on the left, and if you come to Highway 8, you missed it. So that's what we did: drove down to Highway 8 and turned around. On the way back we saw a likely looking place called 'John's Garage.'" On closer inspection there was a smaller sign painted on the window below "John's" that read "John Winn's Repair." We pulled in there at about 4 p.m.

An older looking gentleman came over and saw my "TRUMP" sticker on my truck bumper and started talking politics. He even gave me a paper describing some of the Clinton's shenanigans before he referred me to one of the mechanics whom he said specializes in those kind of repairs. The mechanic looked at the dangling shackle and said, "I can fix that in a minute if I have the parts in back." He disappeared, and soon returned with the figure 8-shape piece that he needed. He had the shackle repaired, and we were back on the road before 5 p.m. I call that the luck of the Irish!

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Trick-or-treat in well-lighted areas, avoiding alleys and fields.

Set up a trick-or-treat route and curfew with your parents before heading out for the evening.

Carry a flashlight or wear reflective tape to ensure you're visible to cars.

Never go inside a stranger's home, and avoid approaching dark houses.

Cross streets at crosswalks. Never cross between parked cars.

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Gilead

By LIN CHAPMAN



Last weekend was not very nice, weather wise that is. There was a lot of rain and wind but the power only went off a couple of times for just a few seconds. At least there was no snow anywhere in sight.

My brother, Steve McLain, was just as pleased as I was that there was no snow in Gilead Sunday. He still has a couple of things to finish up in the yard before snow arrives.

Last Saturday Hugh and I went to Gorham, N.H. and helped Michele and Sidney put in their winter wood. The wood arrived that morning and Tim had to work so we headed to Gorham. Tim called on Sunday and said they planned on finishing off the woodpile later. Luckily the wood was covered since they had received about an inch of snow.

Town Office

Last Tuesday evening was very busy with requests to register to vote and obtain an absentee ballot.

Just a reminder on registering to vote and absentee voting for the upcoming election on Nov. 8. The town clerk is in the town office on Tuesday evenings from 5-7 p.m. In addition to Tuesday evening, the town clerk will be in the town office on Thursday, Nov. 3 from 4:30-6:30 p.m. Registration must be in person and proof of identity and residence must be provided.

The deadline to request an absentee ballot for Nov. 8 is Thursday, Nov. 3. An absentee ballot can also be requested through the online absentee ballot request service: <http://www.maine.gov/cgi-bin/online/AbsenteeBallot/index.pl>. Registration can still be done in person with proof on Election Day, Nov. 8 at the town hall during voting hours between 10 a.m. and 8 p.m.

Got any news? Call 836-2987 or email chapmal@hotmail.com

Bryant Pond

By ALICE HOYT



Franklin Grange #124 met at the grange hall on Mon, Oct. 17. The charter was draped in memory of Connie Tutus. Ideas were given for what programs you would like for the rest of the year. The rest of the business was discussed. There will be a mock Hee Haw show on Saturday, Nov. 5 at 7 p.m. at the Town Hall. Adults \$6

and children under 12, \$3. Refreshments will be on sale. Music and fun, so come join them and support the Grange. The next meeting will be in November.

The Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens will meet on Thursday, Nov. 3 at the Locke Mills church. A dinner will be put on by the Ladies Circle. The meeting starts at 11:30 a.m. New members are always welcome.

Services at the Baptist church are: Sunday school at 9:15 a.m., Morning worship at 10:30 a.m., Evening service at 6 p.m. Wednesday evening at 6:30 is Mid-Week Service also known as Bloom for Girls thirteen to eighteen and Foundations for Guys fifteen and up. Saturday Oct. 29 is the ladies annual shopping trip to Freeport, leaving at 9 a.m. Sunday Oct. 30 will be fellowship Sunday with pot luck dinner; this will follow the morning service. Then an afternoon service starting at 12:45 p.m. There will be no evening service this week.

So. Woodstock

By LOLALEE DILLINGHAM



It's a beautiful sunny day, a bit windy and 32 degrees, but I'm going to enjoy the day to the fullest. Get well wishes are going out to Larry Waterhouse. I have missed seeing him the last few times we played at the nursing home. Prayers are still going out to Carol Cox and the others who are going through chemotherapy. Have sure missed the deer grazing in the back field. Thank God for the birds, at least I get to enjoy them.

Spent some time with my niece in Waterford a week ago, taking over a few things that we will no longer use. Our new place does not require as much attention as where we were.

April Paine stopped in for a visit Friday afternoon on her way back to Sumner.

I am waiting for more birds to show up at the feeders. Right now I have chick-a-dees, blue jays and nuthatches. I keep hoping for the cardinals to show up.

A few more boxes are going to the Goodwill this week.

If you're in the area, stop off at Cooper's Farms stand and get one of their homemade maple cookies. Oh my gosh, they are so big and delicious. They also sell their own farm raised beef. The steaks and roasts are so tender and good.

Oh my, the time has gotten by me. I have to get to town and get an errand or two done before 1:30.

That's all for this week, enjoy your weekend.

Town Hall meeting on underage drinking and other drugs

The River Valley Healthy Communities, Mahoosuc Prevention Coalition and Telstar High/Middle School are hosting an event to address youth substance misuse. Lee Anne Dodge, Prevention Specialist, will present information at two events on Thursday, Oct. 27 at the Telstar Auditorium. The first will be at 1:30 for the students, and in the evening at 6 for parents and community members.

Students will participate in a session titled "Be Yourself ... Protect What's Next" will address alcohol and marijuana's impact on the brain; the signs and symptoms of alcohol overdose and what steps to take to prevent it; the importance of being an active bystander; and knowing how substance use can impact your future goals.

The evening discussion will include an edibles demonstration and address what's changed related to marijuana and what can be done about it.

For more information, contact Patricia Duguay 364-7408 or email rvhcceduguay@gwi.net.

Library to honor veterans

On Veteran's Day, Friday, Nov. 11, the Friends of the West Paris Library will host a reception for local veterans. Following the 11 a.m. service at the West Paris Veteran's Memorial, presented by American Legion Post 151, the library will open its doors to the whole community in honor of our veterans. Coffee, sandwiches and donuts will be served.

With time to socialize, this will be an opportunity to express respect and gratitude to our veterans. A patriotic poem will be read by Jim Bennett and there will be a demonstration of correct flag folding by members of Post 151.

For more information, call the Library: 674-2004. Library hours are: Monday and Friday- 1:30 to 6 p.m.; Wednesday- 1:30 to 7 p.m.; Saturday- 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Library is located at 226 Main Street, West Paris.

Waterford

By ROCKIE GRAHAM



Cannot believe that it is almost November and before we know it the snow will fly. I guess it did in a few places this past weekend. I can wait, but it reminds me that it is almost time to put the snows on. That is good for me because my summer tires have just about had it. I will need new ones next year assuming the Toyota is still running by then. She has 244,000 miles on her now and still runs great.

I guess what I have not done today is check the heat. It is bit chilly in here. The chimney needs cleaning so we cannot make a fire. It is up to oil to save the day. With oil I still miss that warm spot right by the wood stove. For now I will have to just keep moving.

Friday, Oct. 28 at Waterford Library from 10-noon the library will be open. They will hold a coffee hour for people to meet with friends and neighbors and make new friends. FMI call the library at 583-2050.

Friday and Saturday, the 28th and 29th, Bethel Outing Club will have their annual ski sale. FYI it is from 6-9 p.m. and Sat from 9 a.m.-noon at the Gould Field House. Ski shops etc. will be there to sell skis, snowboards, poles, boots, helmets, etc. There is also a section for used equipment sold by local skiers.

Halloween is upon us so watch out for those trick or treaters as they travel about. Norway is doing their annual festival in town so there will be many young people on the streets of Norway on Friday the 28th. Watch for them.

It is definitely hard to type with mittens on. But it is still chilly in here and my fingers are not happy, so I guess I will quit for the week. Next week we will have the woodstove going and I will be all set. Have a great week and stay warm.

Sports

High School J.V. Football

Telstar 20, Oak Hill 12; Oct 24-The Telstar Football Team finished up the 2016 football season by honoring the three seniors Tommy Luz, Grady Harrington, and Elijah Mason with a 20-12 victory over Oak Hill. Elijah Mason started the Telstar score by rambling in the end zone with a 26-yard blast to make the score 6-6. Brett Hastings connected later in the first quarter to Elijah for a 22 yard touchdown pass for the go ahead score at the end of the first quarter. With 3 minutes to go in the second quarter, Brett Hastings connected with Shawn Mador for a touchdown for the Rebels to go up 18-6, and again on the two point conversion Hastings to Mador for 20-6. Both Telstar and Oak Hill were back a forth on the field with Oak Hill scoring the only touchdown in the second half. Game highlights: Elijah Mason 22 carries 122 yards, 2 touchdowns, 1 fumble recovery. Brett Hasting 2 touchdown passes and a 2 point conversion. Caleb Merrill 8 carries 23 yards and 8 tackles. Matt Morin with 10 tackles. Bobby Scotte, Grady Harrington, and Tommy Luz 5 tackles each and outstanding defensive line play. Rebels finished the season 7-4. - Coach Tim O'Connor

High School Boys' Soccer

Lisbon 1, Telstar 0 (OT)- Telstar fell to Lisbon in a Western Class C quarterfinal playoff at Lisbon. The Rebels concluded their season at 9-6.

Age Friendly Community news

November 7 - that's the date when we expect the new Volunteer Driver Program to begin! Our local transportation coordinator will arrange with Community Concepts and other transportation providers to find a driver from trained and vetted drivers. The initial phase of the program will be directed at the over-60 populations of Bethel, Greenwood, Newry and Woodstock. It is anticipated that as the program gets underway, it will expand to other populations and other trips. We are pleased to offer this program, and we will be looking for ways to make it as tailored as possible to meet the needs of our local residents.

Twelve more days until the election! Voting is certainly the most important responsibility we have as citizens, but we will be glad to be rid of all the hype and nastiness that has crept into this campaign season. To prepare for this critical election, you may read unbiased information on many national and state candidates by consulting Project Vote Smart (www.votesmart.org).

In addition to critical presidential and legislative decisions, there are some important referendum questions on the ballot. For more on these six issues: <http://www.state.me.us/sos/cec/elec/upcoming/citizensguide2016.pdf>.

In a recent discussion at the Brown Bag Lunch (sponsored by the Western Mountains Senior College) the topic was public financing of election campaigns, a.k.a. "clean elections." An equally compelling discussion was held on the topic of rank choice voting, which will be item 5 on the ballot questions. The following are useful links on these topics: Ranked Choice Voting: www.fairvote.org; Maine Citizens for Clean Elections (MCCE): www.maineanelections.org.

WMAG First Friday

The Western Maine Art Group continues its fall season with a First Friday Reception Nov. 4 from 5-7 p.m. at the Main Street Gallery, 426 Main Street in Norway. The gallery will be exhibiting the work of fine artists and artisans living and working in Western Maine.

Featured at the Main Street Gallery in November are the paintings of Sandra Bell, Western Maine Art Group's Artist of the Month. Sandra is a Center Lovell resident and WMAG member. A representational artist, she paints in a variety of styles. Her subjects range from unique views of western Maine to humorous narratives and still life. Her website is sandrajosephinebell.com.

Please join us at our opening and view the collection of original arts, mosaics, landscapes, figurative paintings, still life paintings, jewelry, and more. The Gallery is open Wednesday through Friday from 12:30 to 6:30 and Saturday from 10 to 2. FMI: westernmaineartgroup.org.

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North Country Dental's Annual Fall Craft Fair needs you!

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Deadline for registration is November 1st!

Saturday, November 12, 2016
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Along with the registration fee, we are asking for a donated item to go in the Drawing. NCD will be selling food and beverages so please no other food vendors other than selling canned goods.

On November 8th please vote...

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Charles Raymond, Bethel, Maine
History Teacher, Dean of Students, Alternative Learning Activities Coordinator at Telstar High School

Authorized by the Candidate and Endorsed by Kenneth Ducker, Treasurer

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Library memories sought in West Paris

The Friends of the West Paris Public Library are very busy planning a celebration to honor the library's 90th anniversary.

The Arthur L. Mann Memorial Library, the original "little castle," was dedicated the fall of 1926. Its constant service to the community will be honored at the Light Up the Castle Party on Friday, Dec. 9 at 6:30 p.m.

A very special part of this celebratory event will be the sharing of library memories. The Friends are currently seeking contributions to a memory book. These memories can be historical or very current, funny or touching. The Friends hope children will send their thoughts too!

You are invited to write up a library memory and send it to "Memories" West Paris Library, PO Box 307, West Paris ME 04289. For more information on this project, please call the library, 674-2004.

The Oxford County Soil & Water Conservation District (OCSWCD) and Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) invite the public to attend a meeting of the Oxford County USDA Local Work Group on Tuesday, Nov. 29, 10 a.m. - noon at the Oxford County Extension Office at 9 Olson Road in South Paris.

The Local Work Group will provide recommendations for the 2018 Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) to their local USDA - NRCS for local natural resource priorities and criteria for conservation activities and programs. Topics

of discussion in Oxford County will include: Ag Waste, Forestry, Pastureland, Cropland, and Wildlife. Other issues and areas of concern can be discussed as well, and a list will be compiled of priorities recognized by this group.

"Your participation in the Local Work Group will help NRCS determine concerns and priorities that are important to the people of Oxford County. This will allow us to allocate technical and financial assistance that is specific to the County," said Anna Donahue, local district conservationist.

If you require special accommodations to attend this meeting, please contact Jean E. Federico by Nov. 22.

Please contact any of the following with questions: Jean E. Federico, OCSWCD education and outreach coordinator, 743-5789, ext. 111, Anna Donahue, NRCS district conservationist, 743-5789, ext. 102, or NRCS Soil Conservationist Alexander Stace, 743-5789, ext. 107.

Oxford County Soil & Water Conservation District, Natural Resources Conservation Service and USDA are equal opportunity providers and employers.

USDA Oxford County Work Group meeting

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, Oct. 27

Town Hall Meeting on Underage Drinking and Other Drugs; Lee Anne Dodge, Prevention Specialist, will present information at two events at Telstar HS Auditorium. First is at 1:30 for the students, and in the evening at 6 for parents and community members. Students will participate in a session addressing alcohol and marijuana's impact on the brain; the signs and symptoms of alcohol overdose and what steps to take to prevent it; the importance of being an active bystander; and knowing how substance use can impact your future goals. Evening discussion includes an edibles demonstration and address what's changed related to marijuana and what can be done about it. FMI: Patricia Duguay 364-7408 or email rvhccduuguay@gwi.net.

4th Thursday Poetry; Gathering of poets and poetry lovers from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Rumford Library. Meeting begins with refreshments, then we read and talk about poetry. Free and open to the public. Information: 364-3661.

CPR & CPR Re-Certification for Health Care Professionals; Jeannine Thornton will present information on adult, child, and infant CPR and obstructed airway on Thursday Oct. 27 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Bethel Family Health Center. Tuition is \$50.

Oct. 28 and 29

Bethel Outing Club Ski Sale; Friday, Oct. 28 from 6 to 9 p.m. and Saturday, Oct. 29 from 9 a.m. to noon. at the Gould Field House in Bethel. There will be a range of alpine, snowboarding and nordic equipment from which to choose. Ski shops from around Northern New England will be there to sell skis, snowboards, boots, poles, helmets and other skiing accessories. There will also be a section for used equipment sold by local skiers.

"I Hate Shakespeare;" by Steph DeFerie, presented by the Gould Performing Art Department. Produced by special arrangement with Playscripts, Inc. 7:30 p.m. in Bingham Theatre - a rollicking introduction to many of Shakespeare's classic plays.

Saturday, Oct. 29

Craft Fair; at Rumford Elementary School on Lincoln Avenue from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wooden crafts, doll clothes, blown glass, soaps, jewelry, knit wear, scarves, fleece, primitive crafts, holiday crafts and many more items will be available throughout the day. This event is open to the public. Come and support our local school.

Jones Dance Band; playing old fashioned dance music at the Legion Hall, Church Street in South Paris. 7-10 p.m. Adults \$5.

Sunday, Oct. 30

Longberger Bingo Benefit for Responsible Pet Care; Norway Legion Hall, Main Street, Norway. Doors open 11 a.m.; Bingo starts at 12:30 p.m. Tickets \$10 for 16 games of regular Bingo. Coverall games; raffle baskets; 50/50 raffle; refreshments. FMI or advance tickets: 743-8679.

Oct. 30 and 31

Wilderness First Aid course; at Mahoosuc Mountain Lodge in North Newry taught by Jon Tierney from Wilderness Medical Associates. FMI: 824-2073.

Tuesday, Nov. 1

Seniors Plus Medicare Choices; one on one counseling on Medicare Choices during the fall open enrollment period. Free individual 1 hour counseling by appointment only. Telstar High School. 12 p.m.-5 p.m. To sign up: call 1-800-427-1241 and ask for the Bethel site. Walk-ins are not accepted.

Oxford Pomona Grange meeting; at Franklin Grange in Bryant Pond at 6 p.m. Pot luck supper at 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 2

Dedication at West Paris Library; at 6:30 p.m. the family of Leslie and Priscilla Pulsifer are dedicating five stained glass windows to the West Paris Library in honor of their parents' 80th birthday.

Leslie and Priscilla have served as library trustee, Friend of the Library and community volunteers. The windows were designed by daughter and artist Daphne Pulsifer and are reminiscent of family summers spent vacationing on Maine lakes. Like their parents, the Pulsifer family hopes that the windows will inspire in others a love of nature, community service, and reading that builds the future community. The dedication is open to all. FMI: 674-2004.

Snow Valley Sno-Goers Snowmobile Club meeting; 6:30 p.m. in the clubhouse, off Route 5, Andover. Discussion of club activities and upcoming events will be included. Club memberships are being processed and new memberships are welcome, both for residents and nonresidents. All are welcome to attend the meeting and learn news about the snowmobiling trails and club plans for the upcoming season. Membership applications are available at Snow Valley Sno-Goers Snowmobile Club, PO box 159, Andover, ME 04216, calling 207-392-1425, George Thew - membership, or by Andover Trails on Facebook.

Saturday, Nov. 5

Craft Fair; Telstar High School Cafeteria, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Crafts, Ticket Auction, Lularoe Fundraiser. FMI: Sally at 875-3335. Benefit Telstar Alumni Association.

Craft Fair; Maine Veterans' Home, 477 High Street, South Paris. Doors open 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Refreshment table.

Hee Haw Show; 7 p.m. at Franklin Grange on Main Street, Bryant Pond. Admission donation: \$6 adults, \$3 12 & under. Food and beverages will be on sale. Door prizes and 50/50. Hope to see y'all there.

Monday, Nov. 7

Socrates Cafe; at the Waterford Library from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Topic: Making It Through Tomorrow. Moderator: Tilla Durr. Light refreshments provided. FMI call 583-6957.

Tuesday, Nov. 8

Hunters/Election Day Supper; Andover First Congregation Church. Chili, casseroles, corn bread, rolls, salads, apple crisp. First sitting at 5 p.m. Adults \$8, under 12 years \$4.

Wednesday, Nov. 9

Bethel Senior Citizens Club meeting and dinner; at the American Legion Post, Gore Road in Greenwood. Meeting starts at 11 a.m. Menu is chicken pot pie. Reservations must be made before Nov. 1 by calling Arlene Lowell at 824-2877. Price of dinner is \$10.

My Next Move; Chris Davis will be the instructor for this workshop that helps point you in the right direction for a career change. Class is free and will be held from 10 a.m. to noon at Telstar High School.

Friday, Nov. 11

Veterans Day observance; 11 a.m. on Bethel Common, presented by Mundt-Allen American Legion Post #81. Public welcome.

Veterans Day observance; 10:30 a.m. at Jackson-Silver American Legion Post #68, Locke Mills. Music, reading, speaker, flag disposal ceremony. Ringing of the Bell at 11 a.m.

Reception for local veterans; sponsored by Friends of the West Paris Library, following the 11 a.m. service at the West Paris Veteran's Memorial by American Legion Post 15. Library will open its doors to the whole community in honor of our veterans. Coffee, sandwiches and donuts will be served. For more information call: 674-2004.

Alder River Grange #145 meeting; 6 p.m. pot luck supper with meeting at 7 p.m. After the meeting there will be a peel party to prep veggies for the Turkey Supper Nov. 12.

Saturday, Nov. 12

Day of Quiet—Meditation and Prayer; 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Christ Episcopal Church, 35 Paris Street,

Norway, an opportunity to refocus your heart, mind and soul from all the busy-ness of this fall season and prepare to enter into the holy seasons of Advent and Christmas with a peaceful, open and joyful spirit. The day will include opportunities to learn some new prayer/meditation practices or simply take the time to shut out all distractions and be still. Lunch will be provided (donations accepted to offset the cost). Please RSVP to christchurchnorway@gmail.com or 743-6782 no later than Nov. 9.

Turkey Supper; with all the fixings at Alder River Grange, 5 p.m. Adults \$9, children under 12 \$6. A turkey pie to go is \$10. All veterans will have a free supper to honor them.

Oxford Hills Honey Bee Club's workshop; 1 p.m. at the Oxford County Extension Center, 9 Olson Road, So. Paris. We will be answering any questions you have on wintering bees. FMI contact Chris atcpeaston@megalink.net.

Monday, Nov. 14

Make Water Kefir; Water Kefir is a healthy, probiotic drink. A natural carbonation occurs through the fermentation process making it an excellent substitute for sodas and colas. This is fun and easy to make; kids love it too. You can make many flavors including ginger ale, blackberry, blueberry, strawberry, apple, and kiwi. Kefir grains are included with the class cost, so you can begin making your own water kefir right away; Class instructor is Tanya Quarterman. Classes are to be held at Telstar High School from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and the tuition fee is \$25.

Seniors Plus Medicare Choices; one on one counseling on Medicare Choices during the fall open enrollment period. Free individual 1 hour counseling by appointment only. Telstar High School. 12 p.m.-5 p.m. To sign up: call 1-800-427-1241 and ask for the Bethel site. Walk-ins are not accepted.

Thursday, Nov. 17

Introduction to Self-Employment; 6-8 p.m. at Telstar High School. This introductory workshop will help you decide whether self-employment is the right choice for you. This New Ventures Maine class covers the pros and cons of owning your own business, the major elements of a business plan, and the many resources available to help you succeed. Instructor: Karleen Andrews. Free.

Chicken Pie Supper; at First Universalist Church of West Paris on Main Street. Doors will open at 4:30 and the first seating will be at 5:30. Cost is \$10 and \$5 for children 5-12. The mouth-watering menu includes homemade chicken pies, mashed potatoes, squash, peas, cranberry sauce and homemade dessert pies. The drawing for a table runner, gel print and lap quilt will be held at the end of the first seating. Don't miss it!

Saturday, Nov. 19

Craft/Vendor Fair for Andover Elementary School Department; 9-3 p.m. Due to the overwhelming interest the Craft Fair will be at the Andover Town Hall. This is a Village wide event. Andover Congregational Church will hold its annual craft fair across the street. Local artists will be opening their doors located on Main St (the old Addie's Restaurant). Stroll further down Main street and visit the local antique shop. Local businesses The Little Red Hen, Mills Market and Andover General Store will also be having craft tables, special events and specials that day. Come Enjoy the Spirit in the Village! Anyone interested in reserving a space at the Andover Town Hall, contact Amber Cooper at 207-357-2647. Sponsored by Andover Parent Teacher group.

Tuesday, Nov. 29

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TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL



THS students in Telstar Freshman Academy recently displayed their projects done as part of a unit on "Habits of Mind" - skills needed to be successful in life. Pictured above are Perry Morton, Katherine Haley and Max Ochtera.



On Oct. 13 and 14, the Telstar Freshmen Academy participated in an overnight educational experience at the Blueberry Cove 4H Camp in St. George and the Herring Gut Learning Center in Port Clyde, both in Maine. 41 students and 4 staff learned about Life in Coastal Communities and the History of Fisheries in Maine, as well as Ocean Resources and Products. Students were treated to a lobster dinner, caught from the waters nearby, and had the opportunity to explore the tidal mud flats at low tide to discover resident flora and fauna. Telstar Freshmen also participated in hands-on activities at the Herring Gut Learning Center, where the staff educated them about Aquaponics, the cultivation of plants and aquatic animals in a re-circulating environment. Aquaponics is one option to supplement the coastal economy as the fishing and lobstering industry falls on hard times now and in the future. In addition, students investigated up-close some of the creatures that live in the sea off the coast of Maine. The Freshmen had a great experience, not only learning a lot but also getting to know each other and the Academy faculty a lot better in the process.

TELSTAR MIDDLE SCHOOL



Ava Hopps, a 7th grader at Telstar Middle School, was selected as one of 30 state wide winners in the Read to Ride Summer Reading Challenge of a \$100 Wal-Mart Gift card to purchase a new bicycle and safety equipment, presented by TMS Principal Mark Kenney. This raffle was sponsored by the Maine Department of Education and the Free Masons of Maine. TMS had over 100 students qualify for the drawing by logging 500 or more minutes during the summer. Congratulations to Ava!



Super Star Awardees for the month of September at Telstar Middle School, at the monthly recognition assembly. From left: 8th Grader: Ellen Files, 6th Grader: Alaura Schiano, and 7th Grader: Peyton Meader.



At Telstar High School's Homecoming celebration earlier this month, ninth graders Ricco Call and Tyler Hill competed in the Pudding Put Down, trying to suck down pudding with a straw.

WOODSTOCK/CPS



WES and CPS fifth graders recently went together on a field trip to Old Fort Western in August.

CRESCENT PARK SCHOOL



A reading group at CPS recently took advantage of the last warm fall day to read outside.

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Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

RIDDLE SEARCH - ON THE ROAD

Look up, down, and diagonally, both forward and backward to find every word on the list. Circle each one as you find it. When all the words are circled, take the UNUSED letters and write them on the blanks below. Go from left to right and top to bottom to find the answer to this riddle: What is a ghost's favorite kind of road?

- AVENUE
- BELTWAY
- BOULEVARD
- CAR
- CROSSROAD
- CURVE
- DETOUR
- DIRECTION
- DRIVE
- EXIT
- HILL
- LANE
- PAVEMENT
- PIKE
- ROADWAY
- ROUTE
- STREET
- THRUWAY
- TOLL
- TRAIL

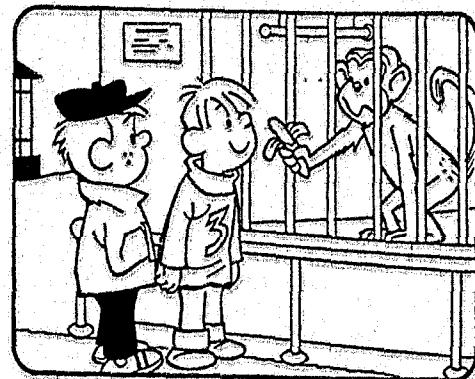
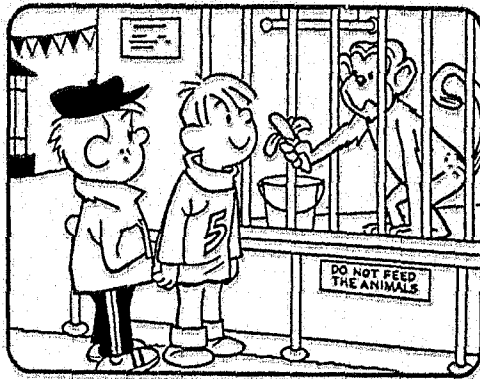
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C D P A V E M E N T

Riddle answer: _____

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences:
1. Pennants are missing. 2. Stripe is missing. 3. Number is different. 4. Pail is missing. 5. Sign is missing. 6. Tail is different.

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CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: A equals I

AW Q ZFABZ KFQIB ZBHAZBZ EC Q

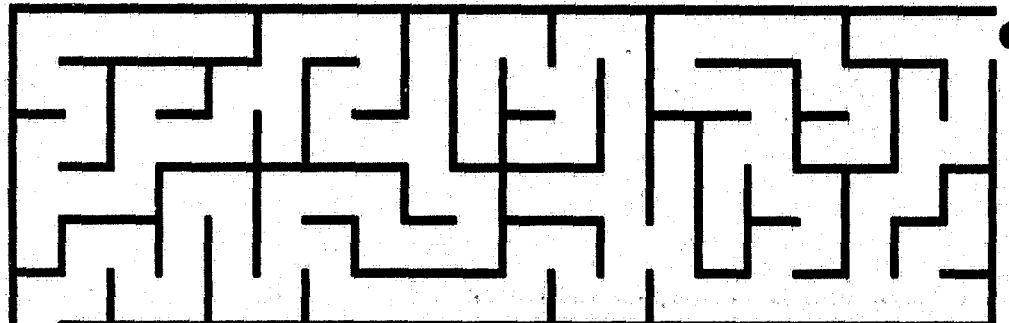
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Z'BPFB?

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Kids' Maze

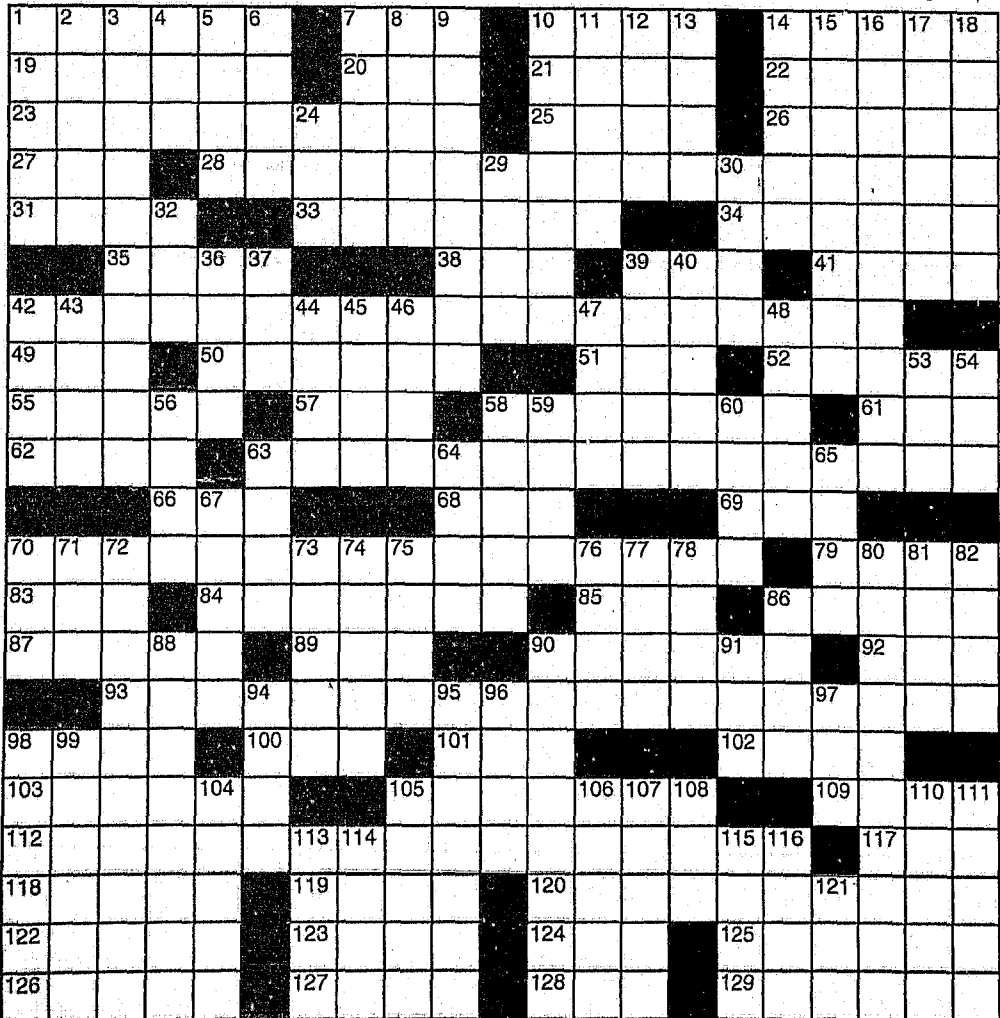


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Super Crossword

SCHOOL ORDERS

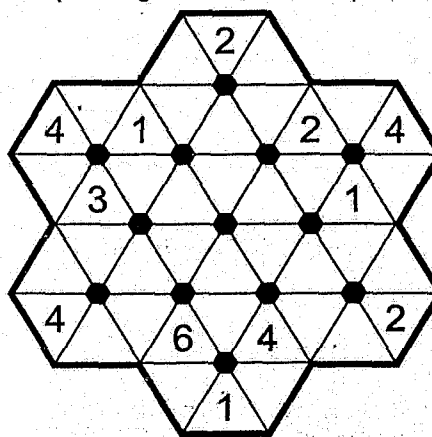
- ACROSS**
- 1 Loch monster moniker
 - 7 — Tomé
 - 10 Party giver's abbr.
 - 14 Disk units
 - 19 And much more of the same; Abbr.
 - 20 Waters off Fla.
 - 21 Part of BSA; Abbr.
 - 22 Target for an exterminator
 - 23 Start of a riddle
 - 25 "Me neither"
 - 26 Hunky-dory
 - 27 Address book no.
 - 28 Riddle, part 2
 - 31 Polar vehicle
 - 33 Puts on the burner again
 - 34 Fair-haired folks
 - 35 Sainly glow
 - 38 On top of that
 - 39 Wall St. insider, maybe
 - 41 Brewery oven
 - 42 Riddle, part 3
 - 49 Crooner Jones
 - 50 Lament
 - 51 Perp's charge
 - 52 "Later, José"
 - 55 Ample
 - 57 Trawl, e.g.
 - 58 Typical Tiger Beat readers
 - 61 Brewery tank
 - 62 Round halldo
 - 63 Riddle, part 4
 - 66 Toshiba rival
 - 68 Neighbor of Arg.
 - 69 U.K. "Inc."
 - 70 Riddle, part 5
 - 79 — Ca-Dabra! (1974 tune)
 - 83 Stadium shout
 - 84 Without help
 - 85 With 4-Down, gear up
 - 86 Newbies, so to speak
 - 87 Die marks
 - 89 Numbered hwy.
 - 90 Like red soil
 - 92 Ore — (maker of Zesties!)
 - 93 Riddle, part 6
 - 98 "Mamma Mia" quartet
 - 100 Suffix for an enzyme
 - 101 Stadium shout
 - 102 Vatican site
 - 103 Detonate
 - 105 African cat
 - 109 Meat stamp initials
 - 112 End of the riddle
 - 117 Cal. units
 - 118 Holy Roman emperor known as "the Great"
 - 119 Ian who played Bilbo Baggins
 - 120 Riddle's answer
 - 122 Ban Ki-moon heads it, for short
 - 123 Run up — (drink on credit)
 - 124 "A" in Caen
 - 125 Submissive
 - 126 Big mattress maker
 - 127 Set up on eHarmony
 - 128 Signing need
 - 129 Many stage mutterings
 - DOWN**
 - 1 Colorful amphibians
 - 2 Merman of "Gypsy"
 - 3 Warrior's suit with small, overlapping plates
 - 4 See 85-Across
 - 5 — blitsy
 - 6 Audio effect
 - 7 Ketchup, e.g.
 - 8 Words after attorney or heir
 - 9 Language of early inscriptions
 - 10 Rampaged
 - 11 L.A. hazes
 - 12 Stylized Wang
 - 13 Rigidly formal
 - 14 Bar light
 - 15 Gave an attention-getting shout
 - 16 Fallen suddenly
 - 17 Clicked-open greetings
 - 18 Least bold
 - 24 "The Skin of — Teeth"
 - 29 Author — Hubbard
 - 30 Peters out
 - 32 Penn & Teller, e.g.
 - 36 July gem
 - 37 Bonobo, e.g.
 - 39 "Law & Order" actress — de la Garza
 - 40 Push away
 - 42 Razor choice
 - 43 Slip up
 - 44 High-end hotel chain
 - 45 Antagonists
 - 46 Way to go
 - 47 Glenn of the Eagles
 - 48 Laces into
 - 53 Sculler's tool
 - 54 Bourbon and Walk; Abbr.
 - 56 Funny Sahl
 - 58 Govt.-issued security
 - 59 Snaky swimmers
 - 60 Bank (on)
 - 63 God that's part goat
 - 64 Conical woodwind
 - 65 The date 6/6/44
 - 67 Earthen pot for liquids
 - 70 Tax-taking org.
 - 71 Tot's break
 - 72 One given to ostentatious display
 - 73 Golf vehicles
 - 74 Offering-plate share
 - 75 Notion, to fill
 - 76 Eye creepily
 - 77 — tide
 - 78 About 5.88 trillion mi.
 - 80 Wedding VIP
 - 81 Traveled by bus, e.g.
 - 82 "That is — commen-tary"
 - 86 Old toy company
 - 88 Defrosts
 - 90 Rises slowly
 - 91 Always, in odes
 - 94 Neck part
 - 95 West African tree
 - 96 Oscar winner Guinness
 - 97 Rhea relative
 - 98 Monastery heads
 - 99 Actress Danner
 - 104 Wake — cold sweat
 - 105 B soundalike
 - 106 Macduff, e.g.
 - 107 Tunesmith Harold
 - 108 Pork product
 - 110 Sir Arthur Conan —
 - 111 Mules' sires
 - 113 Landlocked African land
 - 114 Tiny amount
 - 115 Fanta, e.g.
 - 116 Grandson of Adam
 - 121 College dept.



SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦♦♦
♦ Easy ♦♦ Medium ♦♦♦♦ Difficult

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

	2			8	5
8		6			3
	7		9	6	
9		5	3	7	
	1	7			8
5	2			1	
	4	3			7
8		6	4		
5			2	1	

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging ♦♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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Kids' Maze Solution

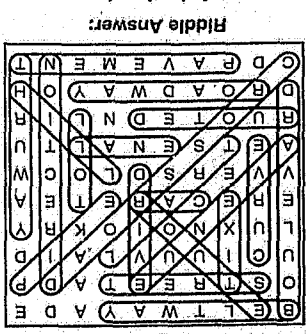
ALIMONY

Today's Word

3. Sturdy; 4. Impose

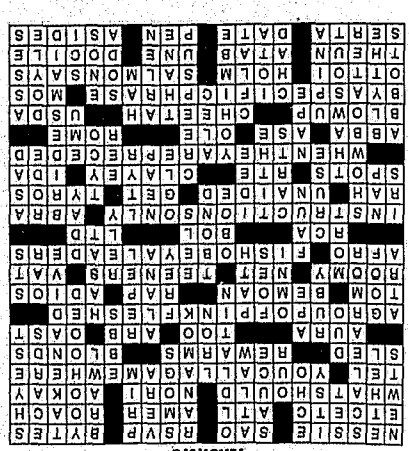
1. Scale; 2. Hint

Answers

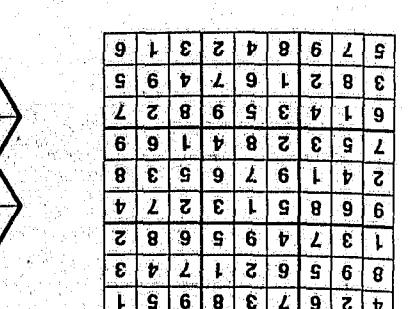


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Telstar Middle School update

Brought to you by the TMS Peer Ambassador Group
This week's TMS installment will report on the 7th grade team's core classes:

Seventh Grade

Science: Mr. Dow reports that his students started the year by studying the classification of living things, which is called Taxonomy. They then conducted an exploration of living things on a cellular level. Students completed a Cell Evidence Lab to provide actual proof that living things are made of cells. They followed this with a Cell Model Project to show that they understand how all the parts of a cell (called organelles) contribute to their function. They are now studying bacteria and viruses and will soon be moving into a study of how cells make up tissues and organs and body systems.

Math: Mrs. Reynolds' students start each class with warm-ups from Moby Max, a great program that helps students be independent learners and to fill in any missing gaps. They are currently working with integers, opposite numbers, and absolute value. The advanced seventh grade math class is working with transformations, and they will begin creating presentations to share their learning. They also set up a Bixtop for Education challenge for the school.

ELA: Mrs. Lilly's students are diving into writing. Class periods are dedicated to constructed response structure, pre-writing activities, and searching for evidence from a given text to support an argument they propose. This week students will participate in a grade level spelling bee.

Social Studies: As a warm up every day, Mr. Cobb's class discusses a current event. Presently, students are focusing on South America. Mr. Cobb is teaching the five themes of geography and each student is producing a travel brochure on South America.

Peer Ambassadors held bi-weekly on Thursday afternoons. New memberships are welcome! Students should see Mrs. Mastroianni if they are interested in joining.

MKA daily Monday-Thursday after school until 4 p.m. Check out the website for a schedule of their activities. They are already underway in their fall programs which include cooking, Lego League, Got Farms and creating display projects to be shown at the local county fairs.

As a reminder, our hard-working PTA is collaborating with MKA to come up with after school offerings between the sport seasons. If you would be willing to volunteer for any amount of time to share your skill, talent or passion in a learning environment, please contact the Middle School Office. We would love to have you work with our students. Volunteers must be fingerprinted.

After School Academy (ASA): This organized study group is up and running after school on Tuesdays until 4. This is a great opportunity for students who want time and use of the school's resources to get homework done, for students who have missed school or have fallen behind to make up assignments, and for students who can not take their laptops home to use this time to get work done.

Children's Theater: Mondays and Wednesdays after school.

Important dates:

Thursday, Oct. 27: TMS PTA movie after school until the late bus. Students need to bring a note with parent permission to stay after school

Friday, Oct. 28: STARS Assembly 8:50 a.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 1: PTA meeting at 6 in the library

Thursday, Nov. 3: Flu shot clinic for students.

First night of parent conferences starting at 5

Friday Nov. 4: PTA fundraiser at Mount Abraham 6-8

Monday, Nov. 7: College visit field trip day.

6th grade: University of Maine Farmington

7th grade: Southern Maine Community College

8th grade Central Maine Community College

Thursday Nov. 10: 6 p.m. Children's Theater performance

Important announcements:

Tuesday, Nov. 8 (Election Day) No school/teacher workday

Friday, Nov. 11 (Veteran's Day) No school

Late Bus Schedule: Monday-Thursday 4:15 departure

Starting Nov. 7 Monday- Friday, 5:15 departure

Box Tops for Education program: Please save boxtops for education labels and send them into school so we can turn them into cash for our school. The 7th graders have created a competition for RAP rooms to participate in.

Please be sure to check out our TMS website at www.tms.sad44.org.

Public invited to Oxford County Wellness Collaborative

Nov. 14, 4:30-7:30,

Fryeburg Fairgrounds

The Oxford County Wellness Collaborative (OCWC) is at the forefront of local, solutions-focused, community action. Since 2012, we have been working throughout Oxford County to increase the health and well-being of our communities in many ways. We are committed to a sustainable future, to an effective impact and to work which truly builds the capacity of our communities.

Now with momentum, our progress continues taking action to the next level. We have created and fostered partnerships with area businesses and advocacy agencies. We have engaged with a wide diversity of people who have shared their struggles with low income, mental health and substance use disorders in order for us to better understand the barriers and challenges that residents of Oxford County are facing.

With feedback and careful consid-

eration, we have identified isolation and disconnection as well as not feeling valued as a primary root cause of poor health in our communities.

All of this work has been the foundation for the framework necessary to make true community change and OCWC is inviting more community participation. On Nov. 14, 4:30-7:30 p.m. OCWC is hosting its semi-annual meeting at the Fryeburg Fairgrounds dining hall where a lovely dinner will be provided.

OCWC has collectively selected partners to support our work in understanding obesity and substance use disorder. Alan Day Community Garden & Let's Go 5-2-1-0 have agreed to partner with OCWC to provide a broad spectrum support in understanding how to prevent obesity by making healthy choices. The Western Maine Addiction Recovery Initiative and the Community Safety workgroup will partner with us to combine efforts in understanding

how to prevent and respond to substance use disorder. These four initiatives have been selected because of their action in addressing the root cause of isolation and disconnection and not feeling valued.

Partnering with these distinct initiatives gives a clear direction for the work of OCWC and models for collaboratively working together on many issues in the future. We are putting action behind all these ideas to create positive change for the communities we support and love. We are committed to growing and expanding our partnerships, so if you've never attended a meeting before, this is the meeting not to miss!

We will be describing our partnerships and plan of action for the upcoming year and need your input. Community buy-in for residents, business members and agency staff is crucial to the overall success of our efforts. Please take the time to be a part of this cutting edge initiative!

Regular meetings

MUNICIPAL

Bethel Selectmen: Second Monday of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

Bethel Planning Board: Second and fourth Wednesdays of the month, 6 p.m., Town Office.

Bethel Water District: Third Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

Gilead Selectmen: Second Wednesdays of the month, 6 p.m., Town Office

Gilead Planning Board: First Thursdays of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

Greenwood Selectmen: First and third Tuesdays of the month, 5 p.m., Town Office.

Hanover Selectmen: Third Tuesday of the month, 6 p.m. unless otherwise posted.

Hanover Planning Board: First Wednesday, 6 p.m.

Newry Selectmen: First and third Tuesdays of the month, 5 p.m., Town Office.

Newry Planning Board: First and third Wednesdays of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

Woodstock Selectmen: First and third Tuesdays, 5 p.m., Town Office.

Woodstock Planning Board: First and third Tuesdays, 7 p.m., Town Office

SAD 44 School Board: Second Monday of the month, 6:30 p.m., Telstar High School (occasionally meet at other schools; call 824-2185 for info or go to http://www.sad44.org/pages/MSAD_44_Bethel/School_Board).

ORGANIZATIONS

Andover

Mondays and Tuesdays, 4:30 p.m.: Andover Fitness Club, Andover Elementary School gym.

Bethel

First Sunday of month, 7 p.m.: Bethel Snow Twisters at 208 Walkers Mills Rd.

Third Sunday of each month, 9 a.m.: Breakfast open to the public at no charge at Bethel Church of the Nazarene.

Last Wednesday of the month, 4:30 to 6 p.m.: Community Supper at Bethel Alliance Church. No charge. FMI: 207-824-2289.

Thursdays, 10 to 11 a.m.: Story Time for Children at Bethel Library with participating mothers. FMI: call 824-2520.

Second Thursday of the month, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; fourth Thursday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.: Cross Country Quilters of Pine Tree Quilt Guild of Maine meet at the Alliance Church on Route 26 in Bethel. All quilters welcome. FMI: e-mail Pat McCartney at p_quilts@yahoo.com or call 836-3575.

Newry

First Sunday of month, 7 p.m.: Windy Valley Snowmobile Club at Newry Town Hall.

Rumford

Fourth Thursday of the month: 5:30-7 p.m.: Rumford Public Library Friends 4th Thursday Poetry Group.

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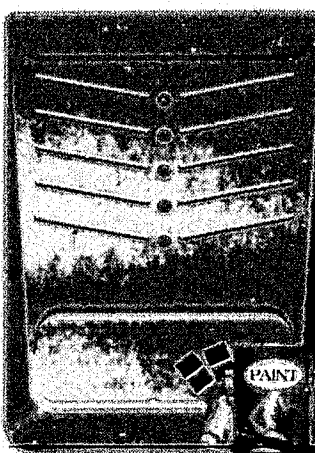
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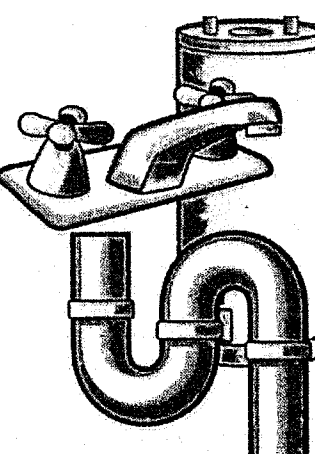
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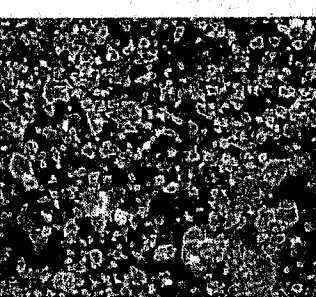
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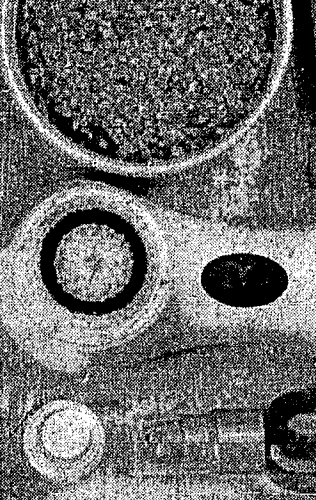
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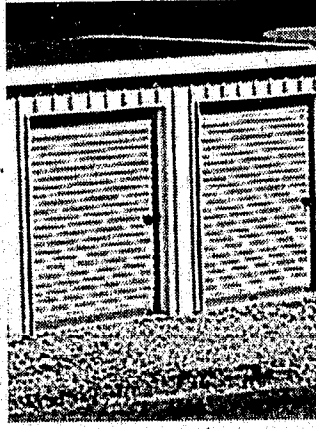
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Obituaries



ROBERT F. HARRINGTON

Robert F. Harrington died on Oct. 16, 2016 in Vernon, B.C.

He was born on March 3, 1926, in New London, Conn.

He served stateside in the US Army during World War II. Shortly thereafter he briefly studied theology in a Jesuit Seminary, then worked in the blueprint and engineering department at the Electric Boat Company in Groton, Conn. on the U.S.S. Nautilus Submarine project.

Upon completing his assignment Bob moved to the Rumford/Andover Maine area, where he became a mathematics teacher at Stephens High School in Rumford, from 1948-53.

In 1951 he married Sylvia Schwind Harrington (currently of Bethel), and had his first son, Mark R. Harrington, in 1952, who survives.

Robert moved and emigrated to Nelson, British Columbia, Canada in 1956, with Patricia Barlow of Andover, where they married and attained Canadian citizenship through the Canadian Immigration Act. Their marriage produced two children, Nelson, 54, and Christopher, 47, who survive.

Robert became a high school teacher in Nelson and later Nakusp, where he retired as high school principal.

Robert married again, to Linda Starke, who survives him. He wrote a number of novels and was published by White Oak Press. He and Linda were author and co-author of "The Soul Solution," "To Heal The Earth," "Listening To The Earth," and "Thoughts From The Woods."

He was a noted ecologist, environmentalist, and folk hero to many from Kamloops to Nelson to Galena Bay. Bob was known for wrestling with foresters that over-stripped the British Columbia forests, leaving to this day visible scars if one were to search Google Earth on the computer. He also spoke out against the massive strip mining of Western Canada. He frequently was guest speaker on Radio Free Canada in Kamloops and a published photographer. In 1990 Bob received The British Columbia Environmental Education Award.

Interrment will be at the New Veterans section of the Nakusp Cemetery, looking out over the Arrow Lakes. A memorial will be held on Nov 11, 2016 at the Legion Hall in Nakusp, B.C.

Births

DEIULIO

Anthony and Amanda Deiulio of Bethel are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby girl, Stella Grace Deiulio, born Oct. 11, 2016 at 12:59 p.m. at Stephens Memorial Hospital.

She weighed eight pounds.

Maternal grandparents are Kim and Dany Anctil of Mexico and Mark and Shelley Driscoll of Toms River, N.J. Paternal grandparents are Mike and Debbie Martin of Bethel and Mike Deiulio of Norway.

Stella joins a brother, Marco, age 2½.

VINCENT

Faith and Mike Vincent of Oxford are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby girl, Raven Jewel Vincent, born Oct. 10, 2016 at 5:02 p.m.

She weighed 6 pounds, 13 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Stephen and Laurie Verrill of New Boston, N.H.

Paternal grandparents are Richard Sr. and Velvee Vincent of West Paris.

Raven joins brothers Benjamin, 14, and Dawson, 11.

Christmas in October

By Elizabeth Somers

When the leaves start to turn colors here in Maine, we start to prepare for the holiday seasons. The excitement of fall leaves turns to Thanksgiving, which turns to Christmas. There are many traditions and good cheer this time of year. This essence can be heard in the "Maine Christmas Song," written by songwriter Con Fullam, and sung by country and western singer Malinda Liberty. It has really brought out the spirit of Maine, but not just at Christmas time.

The little town of Bryant Pond is the perfect example of the "Maine Christmas Song." The song goes "Neighbors still drop by... It's the spirit of sharing, giving, and caring..." This spirit all started during a church service at the Woodstock Seventh-day Adventist Church.

They were discussing community and how to help our fellow neighbors. The perfect opportunity arose when Ernie Yap had the chance to purchase a car for a very reasonable price. Yap recognized that this car still had great life in it and thought of the perfect community service project: give away a car to a family needing one. The spirit of sharing, giving, and caring took off. The Woodstock Seventh-day Adventist Church donated money for the necessary parts. Keith Hadley of Hadley's Garage volunteered his labor to fix up the car to pass inspection. The church youth group along with students from Forestdale Christian School detailed the car to make it shine. Mallard Mart in West Paris donated \$100 in gas money. The last step was to find a family that needed it. With the help of the town of Paris'

general assistance administrator, this project found the perfect candidate.

Here is where Thomas and Courtney Sprague come into play. This is a family living just down the road from the church that started this community project. Word got back that they desperately needed another vehicle to get back and forth to work. Christmas came a little early for the Sprague family in good old fashion Maine spirit. It truly was neighbors helping neighbors. This community effort from Woodstock Seventh-day Adventist Church, Hadley's Garage, Forestdale Christian School, and Mallard Mart of West Paris brought the Maine community spirit together once again. As the holidays approach, remember the spirit of Maine and neighbors helping neighbors.



Keith Hadley, Ernie Yap, Courtney Sprague, Thomas Sprague, students from Forestdale Christian School and teacher. Submitted photo

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